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STRONG PROTEST TO JAPAN.

SENDING OF TROOPS TO SHANTUNG.

VIGOROUSLY WORDED NOTE BY NATIONALISTS.

"UTTER DISREGARD."

Shanghai, Apr. 22.
A strong protest against the sending of Japanese troops into Shantung has been lodged by General Hwang Fu, the Nationalist Foreign Minister at Nanking, with the Japanese Foreign Minister. The Note is dated April 21st, and it recalls that last May, the Nationalist Government protested to the Japanese Government regarding the despatch of Japanese troops to Shantung, and says that although the troops were subsequently withdrawn, a sense of resentment was still felt by the Chinese.

Unification in Sight.
General Hwang Fu points out that since the establishment of the Nationalist Government at Nanking, orders have been repeatedly given to the military and civil authorities to give full protection to the lives and property of the nationals of a friendly power.

"Unfortunately, the Japanese Government has utterly disregarded these facts," and at a time when the Nationalist Armies are engaged in their Second Northern Expedition and when the goal of China's unification is in sight, they again propose to send troops to Shantung.

False Light.
In so doing, the Note continues, the Japanese Government is looking at the situation in the same false light as in last May. Such an attitude was not warranted, neither by the existing conditions, nor by legal sanctions. Such action was not only a flagrant violation of the principles of International Law and Treaty stipulations, but may also, it is feared, give rise to serious consequences, the responsibility for which it will be difficult to determine.

Asked To Reconsider.
The Note concludes:—"Against this step of despatching troops to Shantung, the Nationalist Foreign Minister is constrained to lodge a strong protest to the Japanese Foreign Minister and to request the Japanese Government, in view of the friendly and amicable relations of the two peoples, to reconsider their action and immediately stop the sending of forces destined for Shantung, to the end that the cordial relationship happily now subsisting between the two nations may be maintained."

Peking Note.

The Peking Government has delivered to the Japanese Minister a Second Note, in somewhat similar terms, in reply to the Japanese Memorandum of April 20th, which stated that the despatch of Japanese forces was merely for the protection of Japanese lives and property.—*Reuter.*

FRENCH GENERAL ELECTION.

PROMINENT LEADERS SECURE RETURN.

Paris, Apr. 22.
The first ballot in the General Elections which took place to-day, the polling for which was brisk and peaceful throughout the whole day, resulted in the return of M. Briand, M. Herriot, and M. Tardieu. M. Maginot, the former War Minister, has been elected, but M. Painleve has not secured sufficient votes at the moment. He will stand for the final ballot next Sunday, however.—*Reuter.*

WINDOW SMASHING EPIDEMIC.

WHITEAWAY LAIDLAW'S NOW THE VICTIMS.

SOLDIER SENT TO GAOL.

The remarkable series of window-smashing offences committed by soldiers, in the belief, the authorities suppose, that their imprisonment will obtain discharge from the Army, continues.

The most recent incident occurred this morning at about 6.20 a.m. when Pte. W. G. Poxon, of the Queen's Regiment, deliberately smashed a window at Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Company's premises, and submitted calmly to arrest.

Brought before Mr. R.E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, the soldier admitted the offence, but gave no reason for his action.

Mr. Lindsell sentenced him to two months' hard labour on the charge of wilfully smashing the window, and ordered him to make good the damage, which is estimated at \$22.

In default, Poxon was committed to a further period of fourteen days' imprisonment.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATION.

CENOTAPH CEREMONY THIS MORNING.

In commemoration of St. George's Day, members of the St. George's Society of Hongkong laid a wreath on the Cenotaph at nine o'clock to-day, the tribute being white, with the red cross of St. George in the centre.

It was carried to the Cenotaph by the President of the Society, Lieut. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., and Sir Henry P. Colcock, other members of the Society attending being Mr. G. C. Alabaster, Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. S. T. Butlin (Secretary), Mr. H. R. Phelps, Mr. J. A. Tarrant, Mr. S. H. Dutton, Mr. R. E. Greensmith, and Mr. J. Bentley.

On the Hongkong Cricket Club ground this evening, commencing at 5.30 p.m., the band of the Queen's Royal Regiment will play "The Retreat" and other music.

GERMANY DISCOVERS SUBTLETIES.

FRENCH ANTI-WAR PACT NOT FAVOURED.

Berlin, Apr. 22.
The French observations on the anti-war treaty have been unfavourably received in political circles.

The opinion is expressed in the newspapers that the French reservations to Mr. Kellogg's proposals contain legal subtleties calculated to weaken the strong moral aspect of the clear American formula.

BACK TO GREENLY ISLAND.

COLONEL FITZMAURICE LEAVES WITH HELP.

Murray Bay, Apr. 23.
Colonel Fitzmaurice, and two pilots, with mechanics, spares and fuel for the Transatlantic plane "Bremen" have left Murray Bay for Greenly Island.—*Reuter.*

MURDER TRIAL AT SESSIONS.

INDIAN WATCHMAN IN DOCK.

SEQUEL TO RECENT LAICHKOK AFFAIR.

BOTH MEN DRUNK.

The Criminal Sessions were continued at the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Wood and a jury, when Sandagar Singh was charged with the murder of Jatta Singh at Laichkok, on February 18th.

The prisoner, who is represented by Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, instructed by Mr. A. E. Hall, pleaded "Not Guilty." Mr. Somerset Fitzroy is prosecuting for the Crown.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. F. Goodwin (foreman), J. H. Rakkes, Sheik Juman, M. A. Xavier, S. E. Sousa, C. C. Wong and R. Abraham.

After putting in maps of the locality and photographs showing the wounds on the head of the murdered man, Mr. Fitzroy said that, as in most cases of murder, it was very seldom that anyone was present at the time of the alleged murder and actually saw the blow struck. Consequently, it was necessary to prove facts showing that, first of all, a murder was committed, and, secondly, that the man accused was the guilty party.

Both Men Drunk.

The prisoner and Jatta Singh, continued counsel, were both employed as watchman at the premises of the Standard Oil Company at Laichkok. The watches were of six hours' duration and were taken in shifts, four men taking one shift and the other four taking the next. Both men belonged to the same shift.

On the morning of February 18th the prisoner and Jatta Singh, with two others, came off duty at six o'clock and, after a rest, turned out for breakfast, when they drank a bottle of alcohol which was a type of gin. The No. 1 watchman would say that at four o'clock on that afternoon he saw the two men, who were both drunk. He later saw them at half past five, when they were in much the same state.

At six o'clock, they went off duty and Jatta Singh changed from his uniform into a suit of lighter colour. They did not appear to have had anything to eat, and when they were in their quarters another watchman noticed that the prisoner was taking off his shoes. That witness went out for a few minutes, and when he returned, both the prisoner and Jatta Singh had gone.

"A Good Deal of Alcohol."

Apparently they walked towards the bus terminus, continued Mr. Fitzroy, as they were seen by another Indian who was feeding goats. Some Chinese, who carried on business in small huts there, would say that they saw two Indians running, later in the evening, and that the prisoner was running ahead.

Jetta Singh returned to his quarters at about half past seven in a very drunken condition and, added counsel, "I shall ask the jury to say that in the meantime he had obtained a good deal of alcohol."

At about nine o'clock, Jatta Singh actually went to bed, but he got up half an hour later and went out. That was the last time that any of the Crown witnesses saw him alive. An Indian who entered the quarters just afterwards, found Jatta Singh's bed comparatively in order and it did not appear to have been disturbed.

Dead Body Found.

Those who were in the quarters went to sleep and were roused at 11.45 by another watchman who had come for the relief to take on at midnight. It was then found that the prisoner and Jatta Singh were missing. The No. 1 watchman was informed, and he conducted a search, with the result that Jatta Singh's body was found outside the Chinese quarters at half past one in the morning. The body was lying on the right side, the knees were drawn up, and there were terrible wounds about the head.

Mr. Fitzroy went on to say that medical evidence would show there were gashes 12 inches, 6 inches and 5½ inches long, and that the only

CHINESE RAILWAY SMASH.

SEVERAL CARRIAGES THROWN INTO RIVER.

MANY LIVES LOST.

Shanghai, Apr. 15.
At least ten, but possibly scores of Chinese lost their lives in a railway accident on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway early on Friday morning when a crowded passenger train, one of the few running on the line since military occupation, collided with an empty military train on the bridge across the Tai river, north of Pongpu.

Several carriages were thrown into the river below, and an undetermined number of Chinese were drowned, being unable to escape from the carriage which fell in the river.

The passenger train was proceeding to Hsuehchow, having left Pukow on Thursday night. The train was crowded to overflowing, many people travelling on top of

CAPTAIN CAMPBELL'S RECORD BEATEN.

American Motorist Exceeds 207 Miles an Hour.

36-CYLINDER TRIPLEX CAR.

New York, Apr. 22.
The well-known American racing-motocyclist, Ray Keesh, driving a 36-cylinder Triplex special car, has beaten Captain Malcolm Campbell's world speed record, averaging 207.55 miles an hour in two runs over the official course at Daytona Beach.

In his second run, the wind behind him, Ray Keesh attained a speed of 213.9 miles per hour. Captain Malcolm Campbell's speed was 206.95602 miles per hour, a record which was set up during a gale. It will be remembered that his car achieved a speed of 214 miles in one direction, and turned broadside on while Campbell was travelling at 210 miles per hour.—*Reuter.*

the carriages, when it collided with the military train, which consisted of 15 empty trucks.

The two trains crashed into each other about 3 a.m., on the bridge, and the impact was so terrific that most of the carriages were derailed. Practically, the entire military train was precipitated into the river, and half the carriages in the passenger train went over the side of the bridge into the water. It is impossible to estimate the casualties. Ten Chinese are known to have been killed in the collision, but scores were thrown into the river. The number who were drowned is unknown, but it is feared it is large.

Immediately news of the collision was received, a salvage train with medical supplies and nurses was sent up the line from Pukow. First aid was rendered to the victims, and the two locomotives, No. 85 and 86, were brought back to Pukow for repairs.

It is reported that the collision was due entirely to faults in the signal system caused by the reckless evacuation of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's troops during the fighting of last year.

JAPANESE MINISTER'S SUDDEN DEATH.

COLLAPSE AFTER IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Tokyo, Apr. 22.
After attending a conference of the Seiyukai, at which the Government is understood to have decided to dissolve the Diet if a vote of non-confidence is passed, Mr. Kinkichi Muto, the Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Home Affairs, died suddenly to-day.—*Reuter.*

VEHICULAR FERRY SERVICE.

AMBITIOUS PROJECT OUTLINED.

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS FOR FULFILLING NEED.

BUSINESS MEN'S VIEW.

A vehicular ferry service between Hongkong and Kowloon is a need long felt in this Colony, and extremely interesting details of the thoroughness with which the Government examined this question last year, are given in the annual report of the Chamber of Commerce.

Unfortunately, the Government in September considered that the information then available regarding the amount of vehicular traffic which the proposed installation was likely to handle was not sufficient to enable a definite decision to be taken.

Further investigations have, we understand, been commenced, and something more tangible may be learned in the near future.

V.R.C. Terminus.

The Government proposals, announced to the Chamber last year, were that the Vehicular Ferries should ply between a berth constructed on the south side of Jordan Road (Yaumati) and a berth constructed in the re-entrant triangle formed by the V.R.C. grounds and the Praya front.

The ferry boats were to be double-ended vessels 150 feet in length and designed to accommodate 20 five seater motor cars, or a proportionate number of lorries, 250 third class passengers on lower deck and 640 first passengers on an upper deck.

The ferries would berth between projecting piers provided with spring fender to eliminate any risk of damage.

Mechanical Ramps.

Embarkation and disembarkation would be effected at the end of the boat; for this purpose, the berths would be provided with a ramp about 85 feet in length. The short end of the ramp would be fixed by pin joints in such a manner as to allow it to revolve in a vertical plane, thus providing for the seaward end of the ramp to be raised or lowered to permit it to be adjusted to that of the ferry boats at the various states of tide. The steepest grade on ramps would be about 1 in 9; this would occur at low water of extraordinary spring tides.

The ramps would be operated by mechanical power, thus eliminating the need of men and making it possible to adjust for the difference in displacement of the boats when actually landing or loading.

Chamber's Objection.

On receipt of this information, the Chamber wrote to the Government stating that the Victoria Recreation Club does not appeal to the Chamber as a suitable site, and it considers that Arsenal Street would be preferable for the terminus on the Hongkong side. Arguments in favour of the Arsenal Street site were set out and subsequently a conference was called at which Mr. H. T. Jackman (Acting Director of Public Works), the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, (Captain Superintendent of Police), Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (Harbour Master), Mr. A. Nicol (Port Development Branch of the P.W.D.) and the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Chairman of the Chamber) attended.

Two Systems?

Mr. Jackman explained, at the outset, that a sound decision on the question of ferry terminus hinged upon whether the Committee considered that in the future two vehicular ferry services, and not one only, would be required. If there were to be two systems eventually, then the position of the terminus of the first route should be even further westward than the V.R.C., but if there was to be only a single ferry route, V.R.C. terminus was probably the best site, certainly better than the Arsenal Street site, because the distance from the latter across the harbour was about 25 per cent. longer, and the route lay through the Naval anchorage.

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U. S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

COLORADO CONVENTION MARKED BY TUMULT.

HOOVER FAVOURED.

Colorado Springs, Apr. 16.
The Republican State Convention, after a tumultuous session, refused to-day to instruct its seven delegates at large to the National Convention to support Secretary Herbert Hoover for the presidential nomination. The delegates will go to the convention uninstructed.

Smith Not To Attend.

Asheville, Apr. 16.
Governor Alfred Smith, of New York, outstanding candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, issued a statement here to-day, saying that he would not attend the party's National Convention.

"There's no use of my going," he said.

Governor Smith's statement reversed the general impression that he would attend the convention. It was reported some weeks ago that hotel reservations had been made for him at Houston, where the convention is to be held.

The Governor is in Nashville on a vacation.

New York's Revolve.

New York, Apr. 17.
The Democratic State Committee passed a resolution calling upon New York's delegates to support the presidential candidacy of Governor Alfred Smith.

This dispatch apparently refers to the delegates at large, since, of the other delegates, only those pledged to support Governor Smith were elected at the recent State primary.

DREAD OF THE PO LEUNG KUK.

WOMAN BEGGAR'S OUTBURST IN COURT.

"If you send my son to the Po Leung Kuk you will frighten him to death. You might just as well give me a piece of rope and hang me here," exclaimed a Chinese woman at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when, after being fined \$3 or six days' imprisonment in default for begging, his Worship ordered her six-year-old son to be sent to the Po Leung Kuk until the defendant was discharged from gaol.

The defendant, who was accompanied by her small son, was arrested by Sergeant Clarke for begging for alms near the Kowloon Hotel in Hankow Road.

When told his Worship's verdict, the defendant replied that the Magistrate could not convict her as she had done nothing wrong. To separate her from her son would kill him and she would therefore sooner die herself.

On further consideration, Mr. Schofield decided to send the woman to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to see what could be done for the child.

CRITICAL POLITICS IN JAPAN.

BOTH SIDES TRYING TO WIN INDEPENDENTS.

Tokyo, Apr. 23.
The Emperor formally opened a special Diet session this morning. A vote of non-confidence in the Government is expected to be moved on Friday next after the passage of the Coronation Estimates.

Both sides are strenuously endeavouring to win over the support of the Independents, who hold the fate of the Government in their hands.—*Reuter.*

'QUAKE SCARE IN ATHENS.

FOUR VIOLENT SHOCKS IN GREECE.

Athens, Apr. 22.
Four violent earthquake shocks were felt in Athens last night. The inhabitants were greatly scared and fled the streets for hours.—*Reuter.*

CAPTURE OF TAIAN CLAIMED.

NATIONALIST ATTACK CITY FROM AIR.

SOUTHERNERS ADVANCING ALL ALONG LINE.

STAND AT TSINANFU.

The Nationalists are advancing all along the line, having inflicted further severe defeats on their Northern contemporaries according to advices received in the Colony to-day.

The capture of Tai'an, one of the most important cities in Shantung, and the last step before the attack on Tsinanfu, the capital, is claimed by the Nationalists, says a *Reuter's* telegram.

A Chinese cable states that prior to the attack on Tai'an, the city was bombed heavily from the air. The Northerners were reported to have lost confidence, and desertions from the army are frequent.

Northern Reinforcements.

The Nationalists are pursuing the campaign vigorously and expect to take Tsinanfu, the capital, within three days. Heavy fighting has also taken place on the Tientsin-Pukow line, and it is reported that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has ordered regiments from Kirin, Heilungkiang and Fengtien to move to the front with the utmost rapidity.

Three full divisions are stated to be moving to defend this sector. Other reinforcements have been sent from Tientsin to Tschow.

Stand at Tsinan.

It is stated that General Chang Chung-chang, the Northern Commander, will make his last stand at Tsinan, intending to leave the field entirely if further disaster befalls him.

Nationalist headquarters are being moved from Hsuehchow to Yenchow, where large numbers of troops are already concentrated. A Peking Government edict orders Chinese newspapers not to publish war news other than that contained in the official Government reports.

Members of the families of the leaders of the Fengtien Army now fighting in Tsinan have it is declared arrived in Tientsin, and have been detained by order of General Chang Chung-chang.

Foreigners Evacuating.

Shanghai, Apr. 20.
The American Consul, Mr. Edward F. Stanton, and the British Consul, Mr. B. B. Tours, at Tsinan, to-day ordered American and British residents in Tsinanfu, the capital of Shantung province, and other cities in the interior to evacuate immediately to Tsingtao and Tientsin.

The Japanese Consul has also ordered all Japanese women and children to evacuate owing to the critical situation.

The Japanese Toho News Agency reports from Tsinanfu that the vanguard of the Nationalist troops is advancing rapidly in the direction of the Shantung capital, creating uneasiness; that business will be paralyzed owing to financial collapse and that apprehension exists regarding a possible outbreak of radicalism.

Feng Interviewed.

The Chinese papers in Shanghai have published the summary of an interview between Lantou Noda, secretary of the South Manchuria railway and Feng Yu-hsiang, in which it is stated that the Japanese representative tried to reach an understanding regarding the continuance of the Japanese special interests in Manchuria.

Concluding the interview, Feng Yu-hsiang declared he was unable to give any assurance regarding the future policy toward Japan since this was a matter for the Nationalist government's decision.

Feng then called attention to the fact that America had settled the Nanking incident on the basis of equality, while Japan was still holding off, leaving the question unsettled.

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HONGKONG TRADE.

ACTIVITIES OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

An advance copy of the report of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce for the year 1927, has been forwarded by Mr. M. F. Key, the Secretary. A large number of subjects of interest to the commercial community were dealt with, and it is placed on record that there has been a definite turn for the better and an improvement in trade. The following extracts are taken from the report:

During the latter part of 1927 the China situation, which had become acute as the result of the Hankow and Nanking incidents, definitely took a turn for the better. In the South, Canton, in December, definitely dissociated itself from Communism, and in March, 1928, the long-standing friendship between Hongkong and Canton was renewed by an interchange of visits between Marshal Li Chai-sun, Chairman of the Provincial Government Council in Canton, and H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong. A visit to Canton by the British Minister (Sir Miles Lampson, K.C.M.G.), at this time also had excellent results.

The improvement in trade noted at the end of 1928 gathered momentum during 1927. In the absence of trade statistics—which it is hoped the Government will soon resume—it is impossible to give definite figures, but the increased business recorded by Godown Companies, and the fact that the tonnage of vessels engaged in foreign trade entering and clearing the port during 1927 increased by 8½ million tons, indicate that a definite recovery of trade has taken place.

Confidential Business.

A great deal of business of a confidential nature has come before the Committee in the last twelve months. In regard to the export trade in cassia oil a perplexing situation has recently arisen in consequence of the reported discovery by the consuming markets of a percentage of alcohol in shipments of cassia oil. These allegations are being thoroughly investigated by the Export Sub-committee, with the assistance of the Government Analyst (Mr. E. R. Dovey, F.I.C.) and Mr. A. C. Franklin, F.I.C.

Measures to bring the Hongkong ocean going passenger certificate in line with the equivalent certificate of the Board of Trade have occupied much attention and the considerations involved are recorded at length in the ensuing pages of this Report.

The thanks of the Chamber are again due to the Colonial Government of Hongkong for its readiness to consider representations made on various subjects, and to appoint Government officials to confer with Committees of the Chamber when occasion arises. During the year there have been helpful discussions with officials of the Public Works Department and Harbour Department on vehicular ferries; with the Harbour Master on a proposed Harbour Board, and with the Government Analyst on questions connected with certification of export commodities.

Early in its term of office the Committee was deprived, on their departure for home, of the valuable services of Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. G. M. Young. In the last few days another great loss has been sustained in the departure of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, who held office as Chairman of the Chamber in 1923, 1926 and 1927 and whose sound judgment and wise counsel have been of inestimable value to the Chamber.

Trade Statistics.

Two Members of the Chamber wrote during the year enquiring whether the Chamber was taking any steps to persuade the Government to revive the Statistical

Branch of the Imports and Exports Department. The writers were informed that while it was considered that the re-establishment of the Statistical Department would certainly be advantageous, the Committee did not feel that the present financial condition of the Colony would warrant a recommendation to the Government that the expense of the Department should be undertaken. The Committee noted that the writers themselves placed considerable value upon local statistics; unfortunately it appeared that the Government had it on record that on the average less than 100 copies of each issue of the Trade Returns were sold, indicating that the interest shown by firms generally was not very great, and in the Government's opinion not sufficient to justify the expenditure of about \$80,000 per annum in maintaining the Department. It was suggested that the question of trade statistics might be discussed again at the next general meeting of the Chamber.

Life Insurance Ordinance.

The Colonial Secretary wrote on July 15, 1927, stating that a proposal had been made to amend Section 33 of the Life Insurance Companies Ordinance, No. 11 of 1907, so as to exempt Life Insurance Companies operating in Hongkong which had made a deposit in Great Britain only from the necessity for a local deposit; making them liable in all other respects to the provisions of the Ordinance. The views of the Chamber were invited; also any suggestions regarding the supervision and control of Life Insurance Companies in Hongkong.

The Chamber replied on August 5, 1927, that it saw no reason why Life Insurance Companies operating in Hongkong should not have the same exemption with regard to deposits that other insurance companies enjoyed when a deposit had been already made in Great Britain, but was of opinion that such companies should not be exempted from the general provisions of the Ordinance. With reference to the second paragraph of the Government's letter, inviting suggestions regarding the supervision and control of Life Insurance Companies in Hongkong, the Chamber scarcely felt in a position to express an opinion on such a technical and intricate question.

Inferior Gunny Bags.

The question of the containers used in packing rice for export again came under consideration during the year, and in view of complaints by exporters here and importers elsewhere the Chamber issued a circular to rice-exporting Members of the Chamber under date January 18, 1928, pointing out that the certificate issued by the Chamber was mainly concerned with the quality of the rice, and although it stated that the rice was "securely packed in double gunnies (or mats)" it must be obvious that each container could not be inspected.

The Committee desired to draw the attention of exporters to the foregoing, and to say that if further complaints were received the Committee would have to consider either the deletion from the Certificate of the clause as to packing or increase the charge for the Certificate to a figure that would enable each container to be inspected. It was suggested therefore that exporters should themselves take steps to ensure that the packing was suitable and thereby avoid any cause for complaint under the existing arrangements.

Carriage of Goods by Sea.

The Attorney General informed the Chamber on July 29, 1927, that it is proposed to enact an Ordinance which shall contain the provisions of the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act, 1924. The Home Act contains a clause permitting shipments to be made to neighbouring home ports without a bill of lading, a mate's receipt only being required. In applying this clause to Hongkong it is proposed to make it apply to all sailing ships (i.e., junks, etc.) and to regular steam-

ship services between the Colony and Macao, Canton and the West River. The opinion of the Chamber of Commerce was requested on these proposals, and further, whether any other coastal trade should be included in the modifications.

The reply was that the method proposed for adapting Article VI of Rules in relation to Coastal Trade to local requirements was acceptable to the Chamber. It was not thought necessary nor desirable to extend the modification beyond regular services between the Colony, Macao, Canton and the West River, or to include any other coastal trade.

Travel Organisation.

The Chamber expressed its sympathy with the objects of the London Chamber of Commerce in establishing a Travel Organisation Section, principally in order to promote and encourage travel both to and from Great Britain. It was intimated in a letter from the London Chamber that assistance and information would be gladly rendered to travellers from the Far East who may be visiting Great Britain. Information is requested as to difficulties or inconveniences experienced by Members of this Chamber when travelling to or from Great Britain which might be removed by co-operative action.

Customs Duties on Soy.

Members of the Chamber, writing in June, 1927, drew attention to serious losses incurred by them on shipments of soy to Liverpool on account of sugar duties being assessed by the Customs Authorities there at double the rate usually payable on soy. The Chamber put the facts before the Chamber of Commerce in Liverpool in a letter dated July 21 pointing out that sugar duties were apparently levied by the Customs and Excise Authorities in Liverpool in a manner which did not conform to the practice in London. A parcel which was divided between Liverpool and London had to pay excess duty and fine in the former city but not in the latter. Chinese manufacturers of soy had standing instructions that the sugar content must not exceed fifty per cent, and there was no reason to suppose that they had departed from the rule in this particular case. A Hongkong analyst had expressed the opinion that the Liverpool Authorities might have determined the percentage of sugar without first clarifying the soy by removing from solution all non-sugar substances that interfered with the accurate determination of sugar and that would score as sugar unless removed. The desirability of establishing a standard method of testing sugar content of soy—agreed upon both in Hongkong and in the United Kingdom—naturally suggested itself as a result of this incident and if the Liverpool Chamber felt it desirable to discuss this aspect of the subject with the Customs Authorities in London, the Hongkong Chamber would welcome such action. The Secretary of the Liverpool Chamber wrote on March 8, 1928, that, in spite of repeated enquiries, he had not yet been able to obtain a definite ruling from the Customs Authorities in Liverpool, with regard to the method of levying customs duties on soy.

University Finance Committee.

On leaving the Colony Mr. G. M. Young resigned his seat as Member of the Council of the University of Hongkong, and of the Finance Committee of the University by statutory authority as a member appointed by the Chamber. The Registrar of the University wrote on March 30, 1927, stating that he was desirous to communicate to Mr. Young, through the Chamber, an expression of appreciation of, and gratitude for, the services rendered so ungrudgingly by him to the University, which would feel the loss of his advice and assistance very keenly indeed.

Mr. Neillage S. Brown was nominated by the Committee to fill the vacancy and kindly accepted the position.

ARMED ROBBERY.

JEWELLERY, MONEY AND DEEDS STOLEN.

A sensational armed robbery occurred early yesterday morning when six robbers, armed with revolvers and daggers, entered through the roof into the top floor of No. 132, Bonham Strand East, the premises of a rich Chinese Chiu-chow rice merchant and escaped with booty consisting of jewellery, money and property valued in all at \$2,903.

According to his report to the police, Wong Yeung-po, the rice merchant, stated that there were two cubicles in the premises. He and his wife occupied one of the cubicles, while the other was used by his two concubines. There were also one small boy, two male servants and two amahs, who slept in the rear of the floor.

He could not say definitely how the robbers entered the premises, but at about four o'clock he was awakened by the appearance of two men, both armed with revolvers. They did not speak, but made signs to him to get up from his bed. When he got to the sitting room he saw that his two male servants had been bound and gagged by the robbers.

Two other men armed with daggers had also entered the cubicle occupied by his two concubines and succeeded in keeping them silent without difficulty.

The robbers then ransacked the house and made off in an unknown direction with property consisting of several hundred dollars worth of silver and bank notes and jewellery, including a pair of gold bangles set with jade valued at \$200, and a pair of ear-rings set with diamonds, worth \$450. The jewellery and money were valued at \$2,903, according to the merchant's report to the police.

The robbers also took away title-deeds and promissory notes with a face value of \$101,450 although it is not believed that the bandits can make anything out of these documents valuable though they are.

On receipt of the report, the police immediately raided adjacent houses and detained four men.

Membership.

During the year there were seven withdrawals from membership of the Chamber, and the following accessions:—The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kewell, C.M.G., Messrs. Bitzer & Co., China Underwriters, Ltd., A. Goeko & Co., Roza Bros., Steger & Co., Sui Heong Yuen, Wai On Tsung, Ltd., Xavier Bros., Ltd.

The election of these Members by the Committee requires confirmation at the annual meeting.

Receipts from "Members' Subscriptions are lower by \$1,225 than in 1926, and Chamber's fees from surveys are less by \$720.55 as compared with last year. Sales of the annual report, amounting to \$245.76, have reduced the cost of publication to \$579.53.

On the year's working, a balance of \$11,181.12 has been carried to General Reserve Account. For the first time for some years, the Chinese Language School showed a surplus of income over expenditure amounting to \$870.28, due to an increased attendance of students during 1927.

The General Reserve Account now stands at \$80,953.04 as compared with \$48,901.04 at the end of 1926. In order to spread the cost of the Secretary's leave pay over the intervening period of service, a sum of \$1,300 has been put to a reserve, at which annual rate the necessary amount will be available when required.

A temporary overdraft was obtained from the bank in order to apply funds on fixed deposit for the purpose of taking up \$25,000 of Hongkong Government six per cent. loan for Public Works. The Cash and Investments of the Chamber, subject to the temporary overdraft above referred to, amounted at the end of the year to \$57,796.73.

WHY MALARIA RECURS.

Once the spores of the Malaria parasite have become established in the blood something more efficacious than quinine—which at best is purely a palliative—is necessary to eliminate them. Unless these spores are completely exterminated they will remain dormant for varying intervals of time, only to break into renewed activity whenever the vitality is lowered by chills, change of temperature, debility, or other causes. Then the victim experiences another bout of this distressing disease.

But if the blood is rich, red and strong the system is thereby safeguarded against the causes of lowered vitality, and at the same time this good blood, by creating a generous amount of red corpuscles, makes existence impossible for the germs of Malaria. Thus it is that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have gained such popularity in all malarial countries. The pure, new, disease-expelling blood which these pills create has brought new life, strength and permanent health to countless sufferers in every part of the world where Malaria is found.

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CERTAINLY NOT! WHY?



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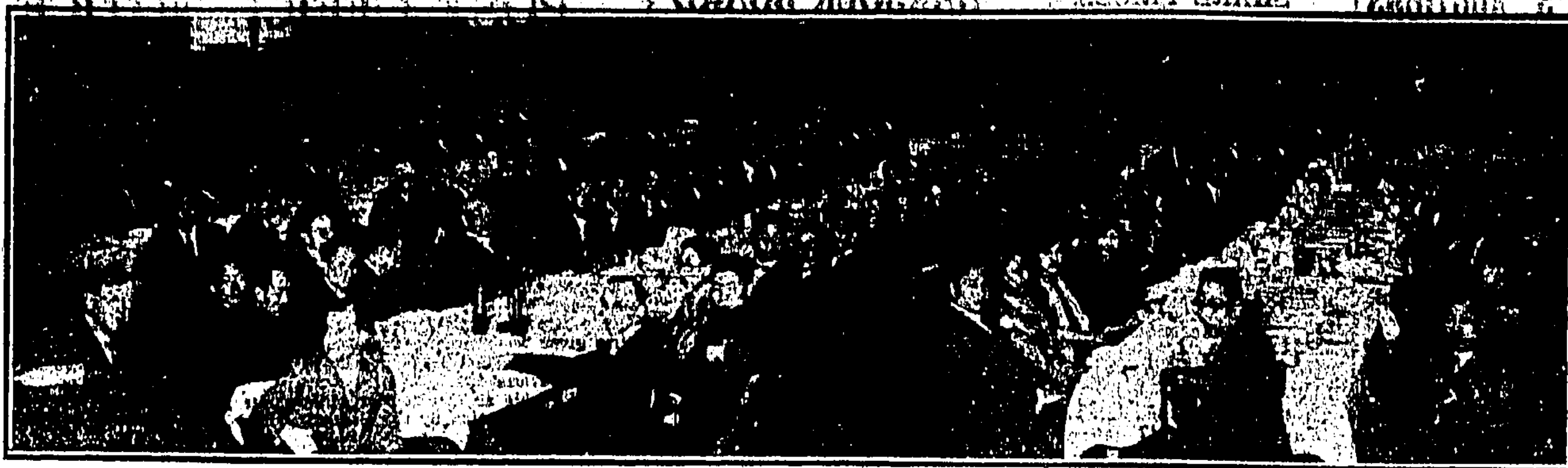


Photo taken at the tiffin given by members of the American University Club at the Navy "Y," in honour of Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, American Minister to China, Dr. Arthur N. Holcomb, a visitor from Harvard University, and Dr. Jeremiah Jenks, of New York and the Alexander Hamilton Institute. Mr. Quo Tai-chi, commissioner of Foreign Affairs presided.



Mr. Chen Ping-ling, manager of the China Commercial Advertising Agency, and his bride Miss Anne Ying-Tong, after their wedding at the Majestic Hotel last Saturday week.



A scene from the dance "Burgerie" which pupils of Hans Wiener performed at the Capitol Theatre Shanghai on April 18.



Left to right: Miss Mullett (Mrs. J. Lambooy), Jean (Miss B. Firth), Sparks (Mr. A. Walker), Louise (Miss Germaine Lemiere), "Tons of Money," given at the Lyceum Theatre Shanghai on April 13 and 14 by the A. D. C.



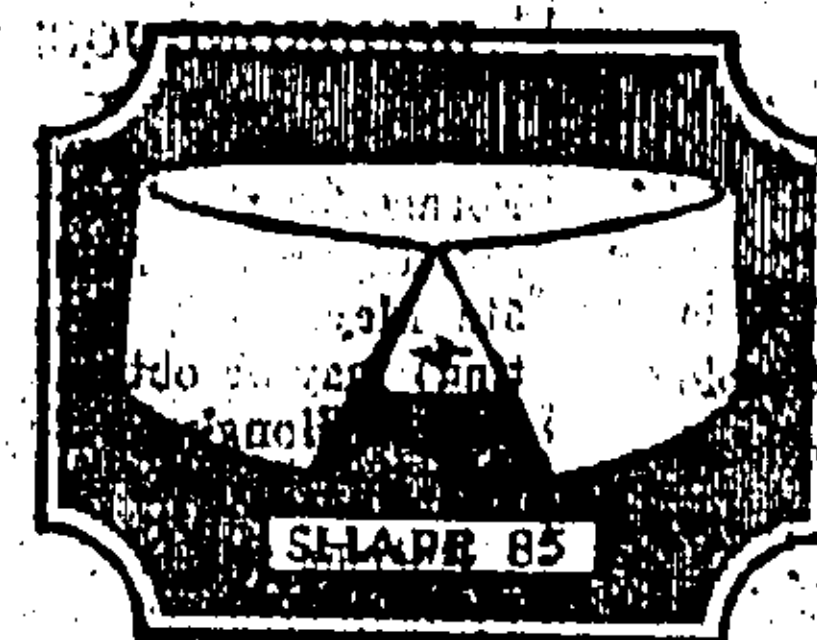
In the course of thrilling rescues of passengers from the grounded ship, Robert E. Lee, three lifeguards were swept to their death when a surf boat overturned. One of the rescued passengers of the steamer is shown stopping ashore from the coast guard cutter Donham.



Bridal group taken after the wedding, at Union Church, Shanghai of Mr. Henry D. M. Robertson, of the C.I.D., and Miss Mildred Allen.



A most enjoyable dance was recently given at the British Women's Association Headquarters for members of the Shanghai Municipal Police. The above picture shows members of the Force and their friends.



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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 5th May, 1928, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 6 p.m. on Friday, 27th April, 1928.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

Laying of Foundation Stone by H.E. the Governor at Stanley Peninsula on Friday, April 27th. 2.15 p.m. H.K. Hotel buses and cars leave Blake Pier (Fare \$1 for double journey).

3.30 p.m. Stone-laying by H.E. the Governor.

4.00 p.m. Tea on the Site.

4.15 p.m. First bus returns to Hongkong.

The Band of the Queen's Regiment, by kindness of Col. Boyd and Officers, will play before and after the Ceremony.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Subject to ground and weather conditions the following is the amended programme:—

24th April.—Semi-Final Open Singles, Pink Ticket.

T. Honda v. E. C. Fincher.

25th April.—Semi-Final Open Singles, Blue Ticket.

Ng Sze Kwong v. S. A. Rumjahn.

26th April.—Semi-Final Open Doubles, Green Ticket. Top Half.

27th April.—Semi-Final Open Doubles, Yellow Ticket. Lower Half.

30th April.—Final Open Singles, White Ticket.

2nd May.—Final Open Doubles, Red Ticket.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held on **TUESDAY, 24th April, 1928**, at 4 p.m., in the **CITY HALL**, for the following purposes:—

(1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the Year ended 31st December, 1927.

(2) To elect a new Committee.

(3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1928.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The fiftieth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on **Tuesday, 24th April, 1928**, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 17th to 24th April, 1928, both days inclusive.

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LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **THURSDAY**, the 26th April, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m. At their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of Curios, comprising:—

Porcelain Vases, Jars, Bowls and Plates of Ancient Dynasties, Old Bamboo Ware, Jade Articles, Ivory Figures, Crystal Lions, Amber Beads, Agate, Bronze, Lacquer and Soap Stone Ware, Mandarin Coats, and Skirts, Old Embroideries, and Blackwood Tables, Chairs, and Cabinets, etc., etc.

On View from Wednesday, the 25th April, 1928.

Catalogues will be issued.

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **FRIDAY**, the 27th April, 1928, commencing at 2.45 p.m. At No. 42, Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture, comprising:—

Heavy Teak Chairs, Tables, Writing Desk, Dining Tables, Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror (by Lane Crawford, Ltd.), Dinner Wagon Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Bedstead with Simmons' Mattresses, Dressing Tables, etc., etc.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **SATURDAY**, the 28th April, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m. At No. 1, Observatory Villas, Observatory Road, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture, comprising:—

Heavy Teak Chairs, Tables, Writing Desk, Dining Tables, Sideboard with Bevelled Mirror (by Lane Crawford, Ltd.), Dinner Wagon Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Bedstead with Simmons' Mattresses, Dressing Tables, etc., etc.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1300 b.

Chartered Bank, \$21 b.

Mercantile A. & B., \$344 n.

P. and O., \$24 n.

East Asia, \$76 b.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$630 b.

Union Ins., \$343 b.

North China, Ins., Tls. 140 n.

Yangtze Ins., \$47 b.

China Underwriters, \$24 b.

China Firs, \$215 n.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$760 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$404 b.

H. K. Steamships, \$284 b.

H. K. Tugs, \$21 s.

Indo-China, (Def.) \$74 b.

Shell Trans., \$0/- n.

Union Waterboats, \$294 b.

Mining.

Bonguets, \$24 n.

Kailans, \$6/- b.

Lampkats, Tls. \$134 n.

S'hai Exploration, Tls. 2.85 n.

Raub, \$4 n.

Tronohs, 17/6 b.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$1394 s.

Whampoa Docks, \$45 sa.

China Providents \$6.15 n.

Hongkows, Tls. 166 b.

New Engineering, Tls. 4.80 s.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 109 b.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 8.25 b.

Oriental, Tls. \$1.90 b.

S'hai Cottons, Tls. 55 (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$9 n.

H. K. Lands, \$68 s.

S'hai Lands Tls. 140 b.

Humphreys, \$144 n.

Realities, \$3.25 b.

Territorials, \$1 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$25.60 n.

Peak Trams, (old) \$134 b.

Star Ferries, \$64 s.

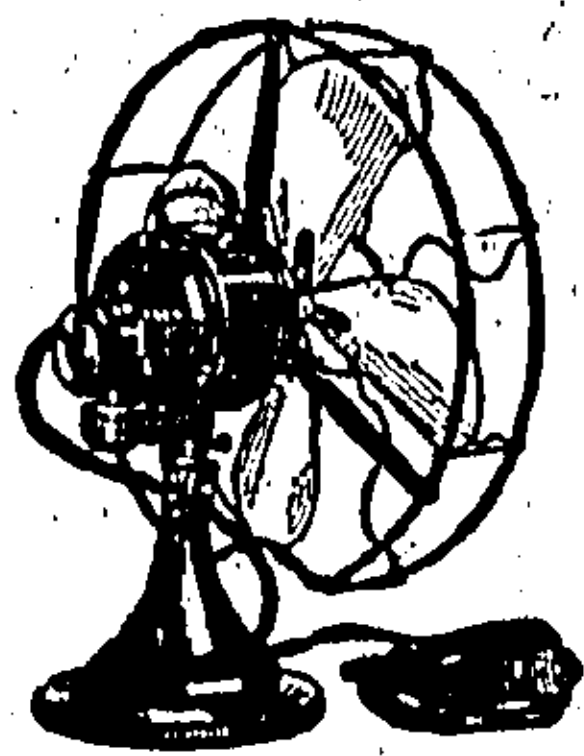
China Lights, (Old) \$13.35 s.

H'kong Electric, \$71 b.

Macao Electric, \$264 n.

Telephones \$4.70 b.

China Buses, Tls. 74 n.



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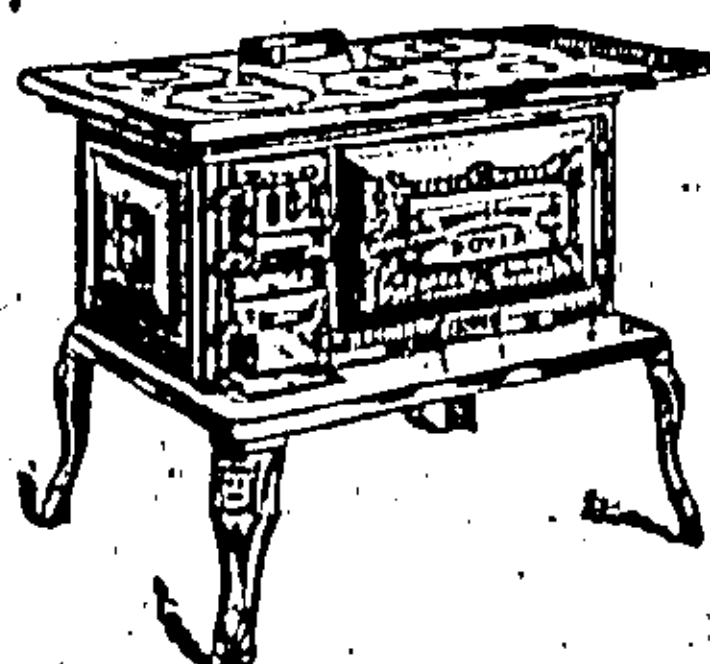
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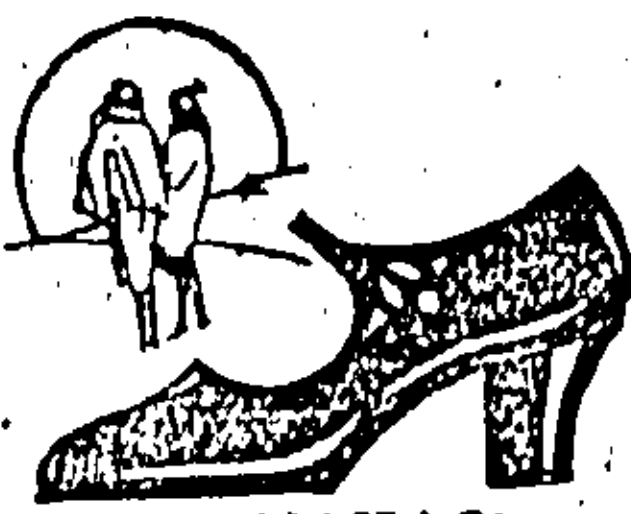


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HONGKONG WEDDING.

PRETTY CEREMONY AT UNION CHURCH.

A very pretty wedding took place at Union Church, Kennedy Road, on Saturday afternoon, the contracting parties being Mr. William Lumsden, eldest son of Mr. J. Lumsden and of the late Mrs. Lumsden, of Dundee, Scotland, and Miss McKelvie, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McKelvie, of Broughty Ferry, Forfarshire, Scotland.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Mr. Longyear being at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. A. B. Ramsay, wore a white georgette dress, with overdress of French lace, the sleeves being also of French lace, with Juliet cap of orange, blossoms, and long net veil, hand-sewn with lovers' knots and white heather and orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of pink roses with maidenhair ferns. The bridesmaid was Miss Jean Anderson, who wore a powder blue crepe-de-chine dress with picture hat to match, and carried cream and white roses with maidenhair fern. The flower-girl, Miss Betty Evans, wore a powder blue dress with lace, and carried a basket of roses and carnations.

Mrs. A. B. Ramsay was the matron of honour, she being dressed in beige crepe-de-chine with hat to match, and carrying a bouquet of pansies with mauve net streamers.

Mr. A. Ramsay carried out the duties of "best man."

A reception was afterwards held at the Hongkong Hotel, at which the newly-married couple received the felicitations of a large number of friends.

The honeymoon was spent at the Ronghai Bay Hotel.

The bride's going-away dress was a jumper suit chenille and crepe-de-chine, with hat to match.

CAPT. DOLLAR'S HOPES.

SPEECH AT SHANGHAI AMERICAN MEETING

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Apr. 2. Captain Robert Dollar, who has arrived in Shanghai in the course of another tour of the world, struck an optimistic note in a speech at the annual meeting of the American Chamber of Commerce upon the future of foreign trade.

Captain Dollar declared that commerce in America is good at present, and better on the Pacific Coast than in the East. There is considerable speculation on the stock market in New York, but America is forging ahead gradually and her foreign trade is increasing.

The speaker expressed hope of peace in China and the establishment of a permanent Government, which would be conducive to a tremendous revival of trade.

TERRINGTON CASE.

TITLED DEFENDANT EXTRADITED FROM FRANCE.

London, Apr. 21. After protracted proceedings with France, partially due to his state of health, Lord Terrington was brought to London and charged at the Mansion House with fraudulent conversion under the Larceny Act while practising as a solicitor in the name of Woodhouse & Co.

There are twenty-one charges, involving £70,000.

Lord Terrington was remanded (11) April 30. An application for bail was refused.—*Reuter*.

New York, Apr. 22. The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has established the discount rate at 4½ per cent.—*Reuter's American Service*.

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

"Pin" Money Sport.

WOMEN IN DOG RACING.

To own a racing greyhound is now within the reach of people of moderate means. The long waiting lists for kennel room at all the London and provincial greyhound tracks show that thousands of men and women want to get this new interest in life.

Women get their chance in greyhound racing. Pin money is enough to cover the cost of running one or more dogs.

After the initial cost of the dog, the owner's liability is limited to £1 a week for training, feeding, and entering a dog in races. A dog with any aptitude for racing at all will be a luckless creature if it does not win some sort of race in ten weeks, for the dogs are so graded into races that the chances of winning a prize are equalised for dogs good, bad, and indifferent.

Prominent Women Owners.

Results showed last year, when the prizes were of small value—usually £10 to the winner and £5 to the second—that an owner enjoying average luck was able to make both ends meet. This is rarely the case in horse-racing.

The Duchess of Sutherland, and Lady Chesham, who has horses in training at Newmarket, were enthusiastic owners at the White City last year. Miss Betty Baldwin, daughter of the Prime Minister, was one of the first women owners to win a race there with a dog called British Ever, and Miss Joyson-Hicks also owned a dog at the track.

Little Miss Kathleen Donoghue, daughter of Steve Donoghue, the jockey, won several hurdle races with a dog called Kilmeena School-boy. She attended trials in the morning fairly regularly accompanied by her schoolboy brother, Stephen jun.

Clever Women.

DO MEN LIKE THEM?

A statement frequently quoted and widely credited is that "men do not like clever women." Women are warned if they have the misfortune to possess the quality so repugnant to the male, at any rate to hide it as they would do any other deformity.

The other day I came across the advice of a well-known actress on this subject. She instanced in support of it the case of an extremely clever, efficient woman who had managed in spite of that handicap to retain her husband's love. And she had done it by skillfully hiding her unfortunate efficiency by always pretending to be a fool when crossing the road in traffic.

I take leave to doubt the efficacy of this. Personally I have no need to feign being a fool on these occasions. I am one. Too often do I emulate the hen who, after twittering on the edge, rushes squawking across the road at the most congested moment. But never have I found it endear me to my male companions. On the contrary, the proud protective air we are led to believe they joyfully assume is most conspicuously absent.

On what grounds, one wonders, is this oft-repeated statement based? If on the assumption that fewer clever women marry than non-clever ones, then an equally sensible explanation would be that clever women do not like men. Either, of course, is absurd, as luckily for the future race, the idea that clever and unmarried are inseparable terms is totally erroneous.

Certainly there are men who seem haunted by the fear that the brains of a clever woman will inevitably be directed to the discrediting of their own. But there are also many who delight in the society of brilliant members of the opposite sex.

This Springs Bows.



Women Writers.

LORD BIRKENHEAD'S VIEWS.

Lord Birkenhead, responding to the toast of his health at a dinner of the Authors' Club last month said it was a remarkable thing how few women in the history of the world had ever attained to great literary distinction. He added: "There have been many women writers of great distinction in this country, but not in any way comparable to men writers of distinction."

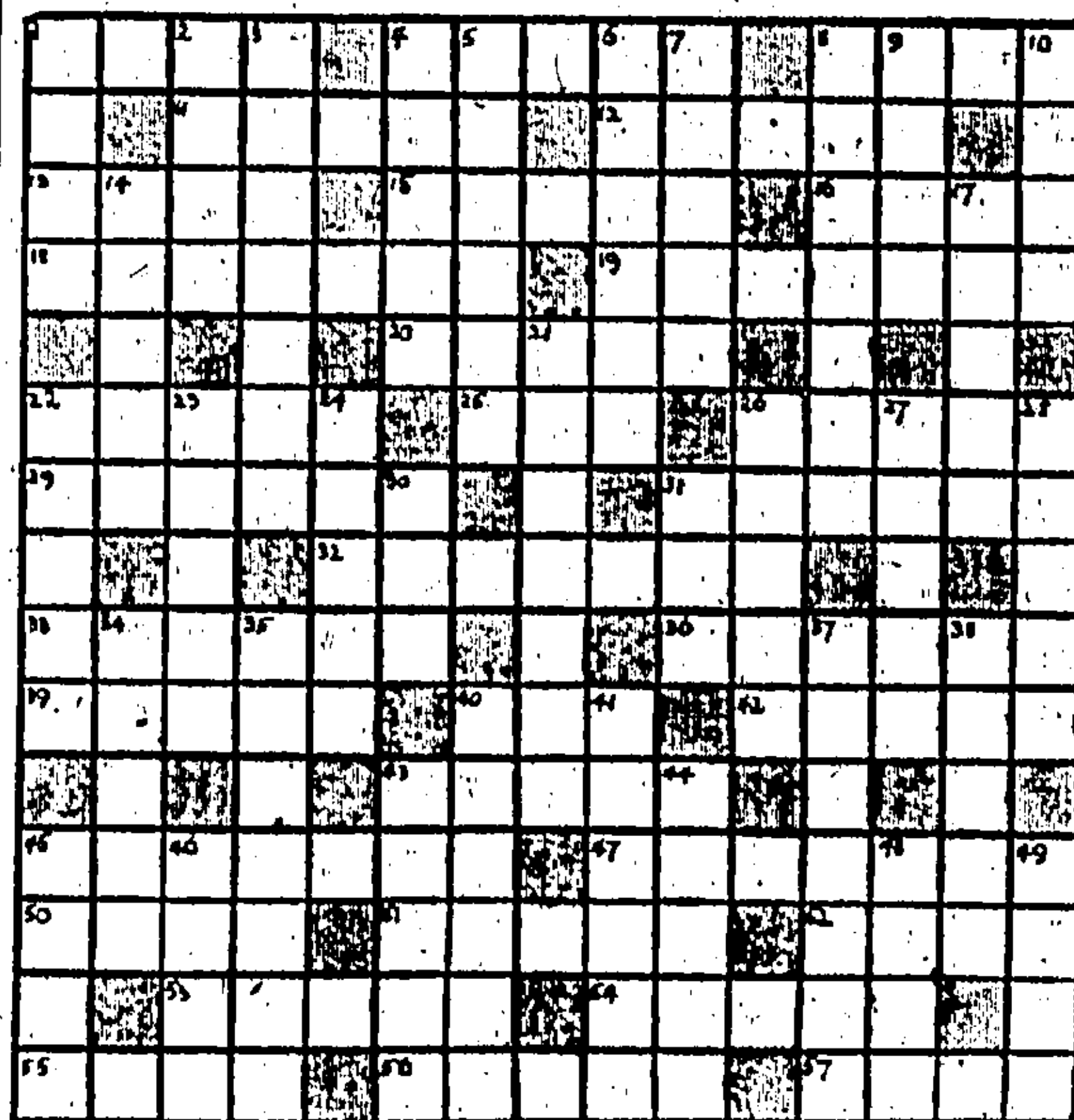
I must make this challenge perfectly plain. A defence may be found in the defects in education, but to that defence I give no support.

How many women poets of the first quality have been produced in the world?

It is surprising that there should be so few women poets because women are less material than men, and because things spiritual and beautiful appeal to them more than to men. What is the explanation? Is it a sex complex? (Laughter.)

ELIZABETH THORN.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

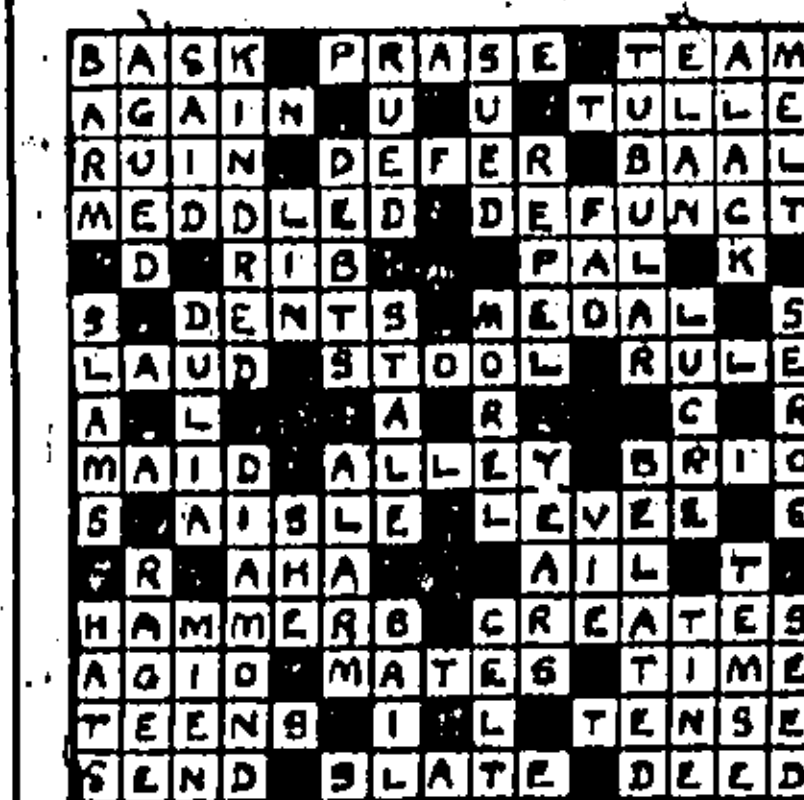
- 1 Interrogative pronoun.
- 4 Small candle.
- 8 From a distance.
- 11 Remaining fragment.
- 12 Female attendant.
- 13 Low neighbourhood.
- 15 Interior slope of a ditch.
- 16 Variety of carnation.
- 18 Religious military order.
- 19 Combined with air.
- 20 Jog with the elbow.
- 22 Struck with amazement.
- 25 Before.
- 26 Characters in music.
- 29 Musical composition for seven voices.
- 31 One skilled in art.
- 32 Fixed unit of capacity.
- 33 Flea from.
- 36 Kind of long cloak (Byron).
- 39 Long scoop used on a ship.
- 40 Long narrow rowing-boat.
- 42 Land belonging to a lord.
- 43 Hawk.
- 45 Variety of the Simoom.
- 47 Vindicated by inflicting pain on a wrong-doer.
- 50 Boss.
- 51 Having life.
- 52 Accent.
- 53 French measure of capacity.
- 54 Pierce.
- 55 Magnesian laminated mineral.
- 56 Frozen dew.
- 57 That which is owed.

Down.

- 1 Part of verb "to be."
- 2 Generic name of certain English plants.
- 3 Hurricane.
- 4 Deception of barley with other ingredients.
- 5 To be gained.
- 6 Make furious.

- 7 Indian coin.
- 8 Violent onset.
- 9 Exploit.
- 10 Where fish deposit their spawn.
- 14 Shelf.
- 17 Masses of rocks.
- 21 Powerful.
- 22 Incombustible residues.
- 23 Fast.
- 24 Try to induce.
- 26 The choice part.
- 27 Licences.
- 28 Guide.
- 30 Starting point in golf.
- 31 Part of a circle.
- 34 Small hank of thread.
- 35 Requiring free oxygen to live.
- 37 Coloured.
- 38 Sign.
- 40 Keeper of a prison.
- 41 Tomb.
- 43 Sort of light shawl.
- 44 Occurrence.
- 45 Saracenic attack.
- 46 Revolve.
- 48 Clotted blood.
- 49 Dexterous.

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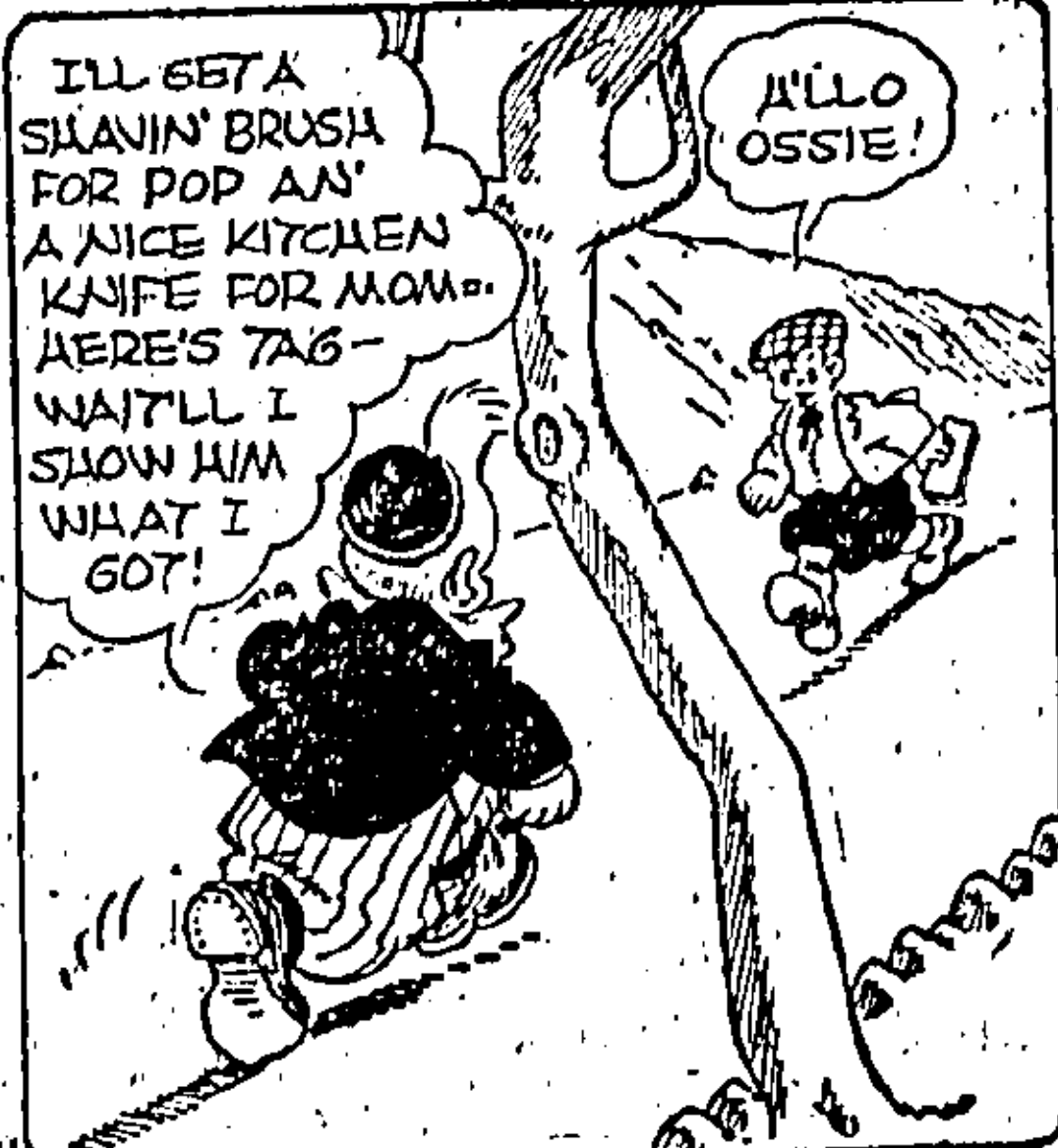
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TUBERCULOSIS.

Realisation of the seriousness of an evil often provides the inspiring force in a determination to combat it. For that reason, we are gratified to note that the main theme touched upon in the speeches at Friday's dinner of the Hongkong Chinese Medical Association was the undue prevalence of tuberculosis in this Colony. Coming so soon after the references to the subject contained in the annual report of the Allied Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, the declarations by Dr. Lee Shu-fun on Friday once again lift the question into the very forefront of our problems concerning public health. Dr. Lee was able to show that many local hospitals have had to close their doors to tubercular patients, whilst in one institution which admits sufferers from this complaint, no fewer than three-quarters of those admitted had died. Even in these hospitals which open their doors to all and sundry, it is realised that a general hospital is not the proper place in which to treat those suffering from tuberculosis, but, as we pointed out a few days ago, it is only in this way that thousands of Hongkong Chinese can secure any treatment at all.

In his speech on Friday, Dr. Lee rightly said that the problem is a big one. That is so because it involves so many other issues, amongst which the biggest factors are overcrowding in ill-ventilated houses, lack of personal hygiene, and our close contact with a part of China from which undoubtedly many sufferers come into the Colony. In turn, the overcrowding evil raises other purely economic points, into which we cannot go at the moment. It is generally conceded that tuberculosis, like so many other diseases producing a high mortality rate, can be cured if taken in its early stages. But for that purpose, segregation and after-care are essential. That is where Hongkong lacks facilities, and it also explains the demand now being put forward that something should be done along the lines of establishing a tuberculosis dispensary and clinic, connected with a sanatorium. An important point was raised by H.E. the Governor, in his remarks on Friday, when he expressed some doubt as to whether the climate of Hongkong renders

this Colony the best place for such an institution, and whether some other spot, such as Weihaiwei, would not be more suitable. In this connexion, whilst it is true that there are many hilly regions here, there are times of the year, such as the present, when the atmospheric conditions prevailing therein are far from beneficial to tubercular patients. On the other hand, it might be possible to find suitable sites on less elevated spots where this drawback would not be encountered and where really beneficial treatment on modern lines could be assured. To attempt to solve the problem by getting a sanatorium established many hundreds of miles from the Colony would, we feel, mean yet further adding to the difficulties. Would it not, however, be possible for Hongkong and Canton to co-operate in some scheme for the mutual benefit of both places?

There are so many angles to this subject that the whole question needs close scientific examination. We hope, therefore, that the matter will not be regarded as having been disposed of by speeches and references in annual hospital reports. Tuberculosis represents a very real menace to the public health of this Colony, and its prevention and cure must be dealt with. At Friday's dinner, most of the speeches touched upon co-operation between the Chinese Medical Association and the British Medical Association. Here, in this matter of the tuberculosis problem, is the opportunity for very real and "live" co-operation. Let the two Associations get together and study the matter in all its aspects, and then report to the Government the result of the deliberations. That would be a first step. Others would naturally follow. Once the line of action were decided upon, we have not the slightest doubt that the means for opening war on this dread scourge would be found.

The Chinese Language.

An encouraging feature of the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, although it occupies a very small niche in a bulky volume, is the announcement that the increased number of students attending the Chinese Language School enabled that department of the Chamber's interests to show a favourable balance for the first time for many years. If this may be taken as an indication that the Hongkong is placing an increased value as a business asset on the acquisition of knowledge of the vernacular, it is a very good sign. The average Englishman is inherently lazy about languages, and the foreigner may have occasion for surprise that, in spite of this failing, Britain is such a power in international commerce, particularly as it seems clear that the calm manner in which invariably it is assumed that the customer speaks English, immediately invests him with a feeling of superiority. It is therefore gratifying to learn that the juniors in the Hongkong business world are taking up Chinese with increased enthusiasm. They may rest assured that, apart from its material advantages, a great deal of personal satisfaction is to be derived from familiarity with Chinese in later years. Many times we have derived amusement from the impatience of a foreigner endeavouring to make himself understood to a shopkeeper when just a smattering of Chinese would have sufficed for his purpose. Such incidents are curious because they denote such an entire absence of logic. As regards the classes organised by the Chamber, a further point occurs to us. It is really no matter for congratulation that a profit of \$800 was made last year, and we trust that it will be noted that the expenditure involved in some cases the principal deterrent to would-be students. The aim of the Chamber should be to attract numbers rather than to make ends meet, and, if there is a good response, to reduce the scale of charges commensurately.

As the St. George's Society is holding special concerts for the services this evening, there will be no movie performance at the Queen's Theatre to-night at 9.15, but the 2.30, 5.10 and 7.15 performances will take place as usual. The continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day will be from 2.30 to 8.30 only.

DAY BY DAY.

NO DELIBERATE HYPOCRISY HAS EVER YET SUCCEEDED EVEN IN THE WAYSIDE BOOTH OF PUBLIC LIFE.—Mrs. Craigie.

The P. and O. s.s. Malwa, from Singapore, is due here at 8 a.m. on Thursday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashmir, from Hongkong, arrived at London on 21st April at 7 a.m.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 13 arrivals and the same number of departures.

Departures by the Suwa Maru for London via ports on Saturday included Mrs. C. Montague Ede.

The s.s. Hong Sang arriving from Swatow, reports that s.s. Gran is ashore on Peng Rocks in the vicinity of that port.

The health return for the past two days shows two cases each of small-pox and typhoid. All the sufferers were Chinese.

The local agents announced that the s.s. President Jackson, previously advertised to sail for San Francisco at noon to-morrow, will not sail until midnight.

Mr. A. E. Wood, has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony of the Wah Yan College, Kowloon Branch, Nelson Street, at 5.20 p.m. on Thursday.

The lighting system of Nathan Road, Kowloon is undergoing a change in that the present gas lamp standards are being superseded by overhead 1,000 candle power electric lights.

The hottest day of the year thus far in Manila was on Saturday, the 21st inst., which recorded a temperature of 97 degrees F., the highest temperature, according to the report of Father Miguel Selga, director of the Manila weather bureau.

The Petricola, owned by Anglo-Saxon oil interests which arrived with a cargo of kerosene from the Straits yesterday, is one of the 5,000 ton tankers built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock in 1922. This is believed to be her first visit here since her maiden trip from this port.

Hongkong was visited by an unusually heavy rainstorm on Saturday night. At the Matilda Hospital, a fall of over six inches was recorded, for the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. yesterday, but at the Royal Observatory in Kowloon, only 2.12 inches were registered for the same period.

Amongst the passengers who arrived from Shanghai by the s.s. President Taft were Mr. K. Larsen, Mr. D. L. McWhirter and Mr. H. E. Arnold, M. Pierre Mallet, of the French Consulate in Shanghai, who also arrived by the same boat, is to stop over here for a time before proceeding to France on leave.

According to a report made to the police by Mr. E. Cock, of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company, a Chinese was seriously injured on Friday when he fell into the Company's No. 2 Dock at Hungshum. The injured man was thrown into the well of the dock, together with seven others, when a stage plank, on which they were working, gave way.

The Philippine Telephone and Telegraph Company has been warmly congratulated by Mayor Earnshaw for the installation of a complete automatic telephone service in Manila. The establishment of this service, says Mayor Earnshaw, is a progressive move and places the city of Manila on a level with the most advanced cities in other countries.

A report has been made to the No. 2 Police Station at Wanchai by Wong Kiu, the master of the Yau Cheong grocery shop of Tang Loong Street, to the effect that at 1.20 this morning, public motor car No. 262 crashed into the shop, causing damage to the doors and to a quantity of goods. The driver of the motor car ran away after the accident, leaving his car behind.

A report has been made to the police by the coxswain of the Yau-mat Ferry Launch, Man On that at 12.30 this morning, whilst the boat was on its way to Yau-mat, a Chinese first-class passenger, about 23 years of age, jumped into the harbour. The launch was immediately stopped and a search of the vicinity was carried out, without success. The man left behind him a parcel containing a small pocket book, two pencils, a police whistle, a pair of shoes and a black hat.

TWO SCHOOLBOYS QUARREL.

ONE STABS OTHER WITH
POCKET-KNIFE.

A quarrel between two schoolboys led to one of them being stabbed in the arm by the other in Yau-mat on Saturday afternoon, with the result that the assailant appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of assault. The complainant, said Inspector Fallon, was walking along the street with this brother and sister, and, on passing a number of boys playing football, a quarrel arose between him and the defendant. The latter struck the complainant in the arm with a pocket-knife. Both boys were arrested by Sanitary Inspector Roylance and taken to the Police Station.

Addressing the defendant, his Worship said:—Only about six months ago I had to try a case in which a boy a little older than you had stabbed another boy with a weapon just like this. It is a very serious thing to use knives of this kind. I understand, fortunately, that the complainant is not very seriously injured. I am going, in the first place, to confiscate your knife, and, in the second place, I think you should have six strokes of the cane in Court. If you are not fit to get them, 14 days' hard labour.

ASSAULT ON WOMAN.

INDIAN WATCHMAN SENT
TO PRISON.

Sentence of fourteen days' hard labour was passed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, this morning, on an Indian watchman employed at the Tai Ling paper mills at Aberdeen. The man was convicted on a charge of assault on a Chinese woman on the hillside at Aberdeen.

A Chinese woman, giving evidence, said she was on the hillside picking herbs when she suddenly felt a pair of arms thrust around her from behind. She cried out "save life" and the Indian released his hold. She ran down the hillside and made a report at the paper mill to an accountant, named Wong, who advised her to report to the police.

The Indian said he did not assault the woman at all, and suggested that it was spite that made the woman testify against him. He told his Worship that the woman was formerly employed at the mill but was dismissed for stealing. It was he who reported the thefts to the accountant which caused the woman's dismissal.

His Worship asked whether the Indian would like the accountant to be called, but defendant indicated that the accountant being a Chinese, it was unlikely that he would give evidence in defendant's favour.

WINE CONFISCATED.

OWNERS DUTY REGARDING
DUTY.

Arrested in Canton Road, on Saturday evening, with a bucket containing nine bottles of dutiable liquor, a Chinese widow was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with possession of wine on which duty had not been paid. The defendant pleaded that she did not know whether the duty had been paid or not.

His Worship pointed out that according to the Ordinance, it was her duty to find out. A fine of \$25 was imposed and the wine ordered to be confiscated.

"THE BIG PARADE."

WELCOME RETURN OF BIG
PICTURE.

"The Big Parade," the American war film which has been the subject of considerable controversy, makes a welcome reappearance in the Colony, being shown at present at the World Theatre.

This is one of those films which can be seen again and again with added enjoyment each time, for it is noteworthy for its thrills, its humour and its magnificent production, to say nothing of the remarkably fine acting of Renee Adoree and John Gilbert, the two leads in a strong cast. Special attention has also been paid to the music, an augmented orchestra being responsible for some fine connective numbers.

Owing to the length of the film, only three performances are being given daily—at 2.30, 6.30 and 9.15 p.m.

Mrs. Charlotte Pickford, mother of Mary Pickford, "America's Sweetheart," and of Jack and Lottie Pickford, also of filmland fame, died after a lingering illness at her home at Beverly Hills, near Los Angeles on March 22. She was 55 years old.

The Very Idea!

Wives of soldiers in receipt of Army allowances for themselves and children having been instructed to notify the officials of any addition to the family, one lady wrote thus:—

"In accordance with your instructions I last night gave birth to a daughter."

Members of the Association of Scottish Chartered Accountants held their annual dinner in London recently, under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Ivan Spence.

Mr. H. P. MacMillan, K.C., proposing the toast of "The Parent Societies," said there was one item in a balance-sheet which he had been taught by accountants to look upon with suspicion—namely, goodwill. (Laughter.) But he was delighted to see how in their unprofessional moments accountants belied their rigorous rules. He had seen nothing but goodwill, and none of it was fictitious. The societies to which they owed their origin in Scotland were very great bodies. Chartered accountants in Scotland were the first to obtain incorporation, and they had always set before themselves a high professional standard. To illustrate his point that the world could not get on without someone to explain figures, Mr. MacMillan told of an English Mayor who was asked by a townsman what was the local death-rate of the town. The Mayor, after consulting the medical officer, gave the death-rate as 14.1. Upon being asked the meaning of this figure, the Mayor replied, "14 dead and one on the point of death." (Laughter.)

He makes piles of money, yet he With the wealthy does not rank; He makes piles and piles of money— He's a teller in a bank.

Man summoned at Southend for wife desertion: My wife deserted me, and a wife who has once run away is like a runaway horse—not to be trusted.

Woman at Clerkenwell County Court: I want justice, I do. Judge Balfour: You have had justice. Woman, indignantly: Justice! And I have lost. I don't call that justice.

Mr. J. A. R. Cairns, Thames magistrate: Life has an unpleasant habit of making us bear the burden of our decisions.

Hackney landlady: It does not make her the best woman in the house because she can swear the loudest.

The class was at the grammar lesson.

"Now, children," said the teacher, "I want each of you to parrot a sentence correctly, in which you must use the word opinion."

A survey of the copy books revealed one from the bright boy of the class, in which he said, "I know a man that has two legs, but one of them is a pin one."

The last two items on the poster of a provincial newspaper, one above the other, read thus:— Popular Romily Wedding. Is There Eternal Punishment?

"Where did the car hit him?" asked the Coroner.

"At the junction of the dorsal and cervical vertebrae," replied the medical witness.

The burly foreman rose from his seat. "Man and boy, I've lived in these parts for fifty years, I've protested, ponderously, 'an' I never heard of the place."

An incident, not without a peculiar significance occurred at a meeting recently in the Kinross Rooms, Edinburgh, of the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Vivisection.

During a speech by the Duchess of Hamilton and Brandon, protesting against the practice of vivisection, there were frequent outbursts of applause. On several of these occasions could be heard the barking of a dog.

It seemed as if the dog was joining in the applause.

Cinema Attendant: "Sorry, lady, you're not allowed to take your dog inside."

Patron (haughtily): "How absurd! What harm can the pictures do to little Nero?"

It is easy to open a shop but hard to keep it open—Lord Asklwith.

It is better for young men to be abstemious than moderate drinkers.—Sir Thomas Burrow.

I think I am right in saying that no psychological society in London has ever had a bishop as a member.—Sir A. Conan Doyle.

There is more money in the country, and people are wearing more gloves.—Sir P. Cunliffe Lister.

One of the smaller of the Kowloon Dock launches has been purchased by the Hongkong Police, who have converted it into a Police launch for patrol in the harbour. The latest acquisition is to be known as the No. 8 Launch and was put into use for the first time yesterday, it having just been completely overhauled.

WEEK-END YACHTING.

GOOD SPORT IN FREE BREEZES.

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club held two interesting races over the week-end, the cruise on Saturday being organised for the boat boys while on Sunday a race between the Commodore's team and the Club team resulted in a win for the Commodore by 117 points to 94.

The details of Saturday's race are appended:—

Handicap Class.		
	Finishing	Corrected
Diana	1st	4:20.55.5
Colleen	2nd	4:21.55.5
La Linda	3rd	4:22.10
Bella	4th	4:22.52.5
Dorothy	5th	4:24.23
Alula	6th	4:27.55.5

I. and G. Classes.

Phoebe	1st	4:41.12	4:36.21.5
Thorn	2nd	4:42.30	4:38.45.5
Wings	3rd	4:43.00.5	4:41.10.5
La Linda	4th	4:43.25.5	4:41.15.5
Zephyr	5th	4:45.25	4:42.20.5
Illusion	6th	4:45.31	4:45.23
Adela	7th	4:49.55.5	4:49.55.5
Adela	8th	4:52.43	4:52.43

On Sunday, the members had an excellent sail, though full details are not available. In the morning when the course was Channel Rks (P), Kowloon Rks (S), Channel Rks (S), Mark in line (S), the Commodore gained 53 points and the Club gained 53 points.

In the afternoon when the course was: Channel Rks (P), Kowloon Rks (S), Channel Rks (S), Mark in line (S), Cust Rock Buoy (S), the Commodore gained 64 points and the Club gained 41 points. Total Commodore 117, and Club 94.

The teams were:—Commodore:—Messrs. R. Sutherland, A. L. Shields, E. W. Carpenter, G. G. Wood, H. S. Rouse, Capt. Davison and Lt. Col. H. B. Gunn.

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

CONTINUED ENQUIRY FOR PIECEGOODS.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:

Cotton, Piecegoods.—There is plenty of enquiry for all kinds of Spring Fancies, and business has been booked in Coloured and Shadow Stripe Poplins, Coloured Stripe Poplins and Turret Cloths. Prices on the local market have dropped, consequently deliveries have not been maintained. Another report states:—"Some business has been done in Coloured Stripe, Shadow Stripe Poplins, Striped Shirtings, Linbries. Generally speaking the market is very dull and there are very few offers about. Prices at home remain very firm. Market values for Brocades and Linbries have depreciated, especially for Blacks."

Cotton Yarn.—During the fortnight under review only a limited business has been put through at previous rates. Nominal quotations are as follows: No. 10s, \$170-180; No. 12s, \$175-190; No. 16s, \$195-200; No. 20s, \$205-210. Arrivals: NH, Sales 200 bales. Unsold stock 3,600 bales. Bargains 7,500 bales. Woolens.—The reason for being practically over, business in woolens has been neglected: a few very small lots have been supplied from stock. Another report: "The small amount of goods cleared is influencing the buying. Smaller lots have been done, but at prices which probably leave small margins. A fair quantity of shadow striped Poplins as well as Coloured Stripe Shirtings has been booked. No business has been reported yet in Standard Brocades, etc."

Raw cotton.—No business to report.

Flour market.—Stocks American, 400,000 bags; Canadian, 150,000 bags; Australian, 50,000 bags; total, 600,000 bags. Market: Small sales. Quotations:—American Patent, \$4.30-4.34; American Straight, \$3.15-3.40; American Cut off, \$3.25-3.30; American Cut off, \$3.30-3.35; Canadian Cut off, \$3.10-3.20; Canadian Straight, \$3.05-3.15; Canadian Mixture, \$3.05; Canadian 2nd Clear, \$2.90.

MOSLEMS ON STRIKE IN PALESTINE.

SEQUEL TO RECENT AFFAIR AT GAZA.

Jerusalem, Apr. 23. The Moslems have declared a "Protest strike" against the attitude of the Government regarding the affair at Gaza, when infuriated Moslems stormed the Police Station and forced the police to fire into the mob.

All shops are closed but there has been no untoward incident up to the present.—Reuter.

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

NEW SHARE ISSUE IS APPROVED.

HOPES OF SUPPLYING THE NEW TERRITORIES.

SHAREHOLDERS MEET.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Light and Power Company (1918) Limited, was held at the office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co., the General Managers, this morning, Mr. R. G. Shewan presiding. Other directors present were Mr. H. P. White and Mr. Lee Hsuan.

Shareholders present were Messrs. A. Keith, A. L. Shields, I. W. Shewan, J. Toppin, W. G. Lawson, J. Conliff, J. Dick, A. A. Helleho, F. J. Tavares, Tsi Tsun-tai and Noel Brugg (Secretary).

Chairman's Speech.

After the Secretary had read the resolutions for the passing of which the meeting was called,

The Chairman said:—"The object of the resolutions just read is to obtain further capital for the Company to the extent of \$500,000 by the issue of 120,000 new shares at \$5 paid up. This money will be utilised in the first instance, in liquidating our overdraft with our bankers and for the purchase and reclamation of additional land adjoining the site of the Power Station, and, secondly, to meet heavy capital expenditure principally on new substations at Kowloon Tong, Mong Kok and Tsim Sha Tsui. And we anticipate having later on to provide for the supply of electricity in the New Territories—a matter which is now receiving the consideration of the Government."

Dates of payment and other particulars will be stated in the notices offering you these new shares, but I may add it is the present intention of the Directors that those shareholders who are unable to pay the final call of \$4 per share on due date will be given up to 30th June, 1929, on payment of interest at the rate of nine per cent. per annum on the overdue calls. But it will be to the interest of shareholders to pay the balance of \$4 per share on due date to secure thereon the current dividend in respect thereof.

First Resolution.

"The Chairman then proposed 'That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$3,000,000 consisting of 600,000 shares of the nominal value of \$5 each the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$3,500,000 by the creation of 120,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$5 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) as from date of allotment for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital."

Mr. A. Keith seconded, and the resolution was carried.

Proposed Allotment.

"The Chairman then proposed the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Tsi Tsun-tai:—"That the said 120,000 shares be offered forthwith in the first instance (in the proportion of one share for every complete number of five existing shares held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 23rd day of April, 1928, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 600,000 shares at par and so that on acceptance of the offer the nominal amount of \$5 due in respect of such 120,000 shares shall be payable as to the sum of \$1 part thereof on the first day of May, 1928, and as to the balance thereof, i.e., \$4, on the first day of June, 1928."

"And further that until such time as the said 120,000 shares shall be fully paid up they shall *vis-a-vis* the said 600,000 shares only rank for dividend in proportion to the ratio borne by the amount paid up thereon in respect of the nominal value (\$5) thereof."

"And that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such time and to extend such time to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit. And further that any of the said 120,000 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit."

An Amendment.

On the proposal of Mr. H. P. White, the following amendment to the resolution was carried:—"That Resolution No. 2 be amended by the deletion of the words 'as to'

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DISCHARGED AFTER PLEA OF GUILTY.

CASE IN MARINE COURT TO-DAY.

At the Marine Court this morning before Commr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., a boarding house runner was charged with boarding a.s. President Harrison at the Kowloon Wharf on April 21, without permission of the commanding officer, and pleaded guilty.

His Worship decided to hear evidence and it was stated by an Indian watchman that the accused was seen to board the ship from the seaward side. There were two lines out at the time and one of the gangways had been lowered. Witness was ordered to arrest the man by an officer.

Captain Miller, prosecuting for the Dollar Line, admitted that a pass was issued to the accused and that he would probably have been allowed on board after the ship was berthed. The permit was, however, available for one man only, but the accused took two others with him.

His Worship said that under the circumstances it was impossible to convict. The accused was discharged.

Rule of the Road.

A rule of the road offence was brought against the coxswain of the steam launch Tung Hing, by Inspector Moss of the Water Police, defendant pleading guilty. Inspector Moss stated he was taking a newly acquired launch on a trial trip, and when proceeding down the Southern Fairway, the Tung Hing was sighted at 200 yards on the port bow. Sound signals were made and the Tung Hing replied with two blasts but did not alter. A further signal was made and the Tung Hing altered to port, but it was necessary for the Police Launch to go full astern to avoid collision.

When boarded, the defendant stated that he did not know he was crossing a Police launch, as it still bore the funnel marking of Kowloon Dock, from which ownership had just been changed to the Police.

His Worship questioned the accused on the making of sound signals and alterations of course and pointed out that in any case he was wrong. A fine of \$25, with the alternative of 25 days imprisonment was inflicted.

Obstruction.

The masters of the motor boats Lee Tung, Lee Yuen and Lee Hung, were charged with obstructing the approaches to Queen's Pier, by securing the craft alongside the landing place.

The first defendant failed to put in an appearance, it being stated that he had been sent on a trip to Stonecutters Island. The officer in charge of the case did not press for a warrant, but asked for an adjournment until to-morrow morning. This was allowed by the Court.

The remaining two defendants pleaded guilty and stated that their mooring ropes fouled the propeller of another motor boat and as it was then 3 a.m., they decided to wait alongside the pier until daylight to effect a clearance. A fine of \$10, with the usual alternative was inflicted.

SHANGHAI ARREST SENSATION.

U. S. OIL CO. MANAGER CHARGED.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT OF Tls. 18,000.

HEARING THIS WEEK.

Shanghai, Apr. 17. A sensation was created in local American circles yesterday with the arrest on a charge of embezzlement of Mr. David E. Duff, Manager of the Oil Export Company. The amount involved is Tls. 18,000. The warrant for the arrest of Mr. Duff was issued by the Clerk of the United States Court, Mr. J. M. Howes, last Friday at the request of Mr. J. B. Davies, Acting United States District Attorney.

Mr. Duff, it was learned, had been ill in the hospital and the warrant was not served by Marshal Thurston R. Porter until 9.45 o'clock yesterday morning, at which time Mr. Duff and his attorney, Mr. P. J. Schuhl, appeared at the office of the Marshal.

"Not Guilty."

As the warrant was issued on direct information charging embezzlement there was no preliminary hearing. At 10 a.m. yesterday Mr. Duff appeared before Judge Milton D. Purdy in the American Court for China and entered a plea of not guilty.

Before the plea was entered, however, Mr. Schuhl stated that a demurrer to the information may be filed in the event of which, the request was made that the accused be permitted to change his plea, if he so desired. Judge Purdy gave his consent.

Pleads Not Guilty.

After the charge had been read in court by Mr. Davies the Judge asked:

"What is the plea?" It was then that Mr. Schuhl made his request, after which Mr. Duff rose and said "not guilty."

After the plea had been entered Mr. Schuhl addressed the Court on the matter of bail. The attorney pointed out that Mr. Duff has been very ill and that his blood pressure is 200. He also stated that the accused had been in the hospital and had been brought to court by his physician. It was requested by Mr. Schuhl that the Court fix the bail at the lowest sum possible.

Bail Is Fixed.

"I do not believe Mr. Duff will leave the jurisdiction of this court," Mr. Schuhl declared. "His doctor says the hospital is the best place for him at present. If the Court please to fix a reasonable bail I believe it can be provided by his friends."

"Five thousand dollars?" asked the Court.

"Gold?" Mr. Schuhl queried.

"Yes, gold."

Mr. Schuhl argued in favour of a bail of Tls. 5,000 but the Court, after remarking that if bail of Tls. 5,000 could be obtained, said it would not be a hardship to make the bail \$5,000. It was accordingly

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KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

PERMANENT GRANT OF SITE DESIRED.

The site problem has been exercising the Committee of the Union Church, Kowloon, recently, according to the current issue of the *Union Church Record*.

It is recalled that negotiations for a site for a Union Church in Kowloon were entered into with the Hongkong Government no less than six years ago and were continued during three years when at last a provisional arrangement was agreed upon, to hold good for three years. It was agreed that the Government should reserve a commodious site for a permanent Church and other Church buildings at Ma-Tau-Wei, a little below the Kowloon Hospital, until 11th May, 1928, and grant temporary use of the site in Jordan Road, where the present place of worship stands.

It will be seen, says the *Record*, that the reservation will be forfeited in about a month's time unless some action is taken immediately. The Board of Management of the Union Church, Hongkong, who made the arrangements on our behalf and in co-operation with our representatives, recently appointed their Chairman, Mr. E. B. Cubey, the Rev. J. K. Macdonald and the Rev. J. H. Johnston to deal with the situation. These three remitted the question to the Committee of our Church.

The local Committee have gone into the matter minutely and are convinced that the reserved site in Ma-Tau-Wei is entirely unsuitable for a Church at the present time, and they do not see any indication that it is likely to become suitable in the near future. They have therefore made enquiries as to the possibilities of extension on the present site. Messrs. Leigh and Orange, architects, have measured the ground and reported that a Church, to seat about 300 persons, could be erected on the west side of the existing place of worship and a Manse on the east side. The Committee have accordingly reported their decision that the best course is to make an urgent appeal to Government for the permanent grant of the Jordan Road site.

NEW SHIPS FOR FAR EAST.

N.Y.K. AND H.A.L. ARE BUILDING.

Three 25,000-ton liners are being built by the N. Y. K. line to handle the growing trade between San Francisco and the Orient. Mr. Ohtani announced at San Francisco last week. He predicted that aeroplanes soon would leap from the decks of steamers far out in the Pacific, arriving in port days ahead of the ship.

The addition of five new combination freight and passenger motorships aggregating a gross capacity of 50,000 tons, to be used on the Far East-Manila run was announced by Messrs. Behn, Meyer and Company, Manila agents for the Hamburg-Amerika Linie of Hamburg, Germany.

The five boats that are now under construction are the *Leverkusen*, *Juisburg*, *Burgeland*, *Kulmerland* and *Saderland*. The first of them the *Leverkusen*, will be launched on her initial trip June 23 from Hamburg shipyard.

All of the boats are sister ships, each being propelled by a single screw Diesel motor and being able to maintain a speed of 14 knots an hour. The cargo capacity for each boat is 10,000 tons.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

- 1 Who has been elected chairman of the new London County Council?
- 2 What was the Legislature of Serbia called?
- 3 What French criminologist devised a system of identification based on body measurements?
- 4 How old are rubber trees before rubber is extracted from them?
- 5 Name the Home Counties of England.
- 6 Who were the authors of the following:—"Treasure Island"; "The Beloved Vagabond"; "Midshipman Easy"; "Tom Sawyer"?
- 7 Whose are the following: (a) *Trak*; (b) *The Pinfish*; (c) *Jugoslavians*?
- 8 What is blither?
- 9 What is the difference between a griffin and a griffon?
- 10 Define the following parts of grammar: (a) Phonology; (b) orthoepy; (c) orthography; (d) etymology.
- 11 What is meant by inebriescence?
- 12 Who were the Abolitionists?

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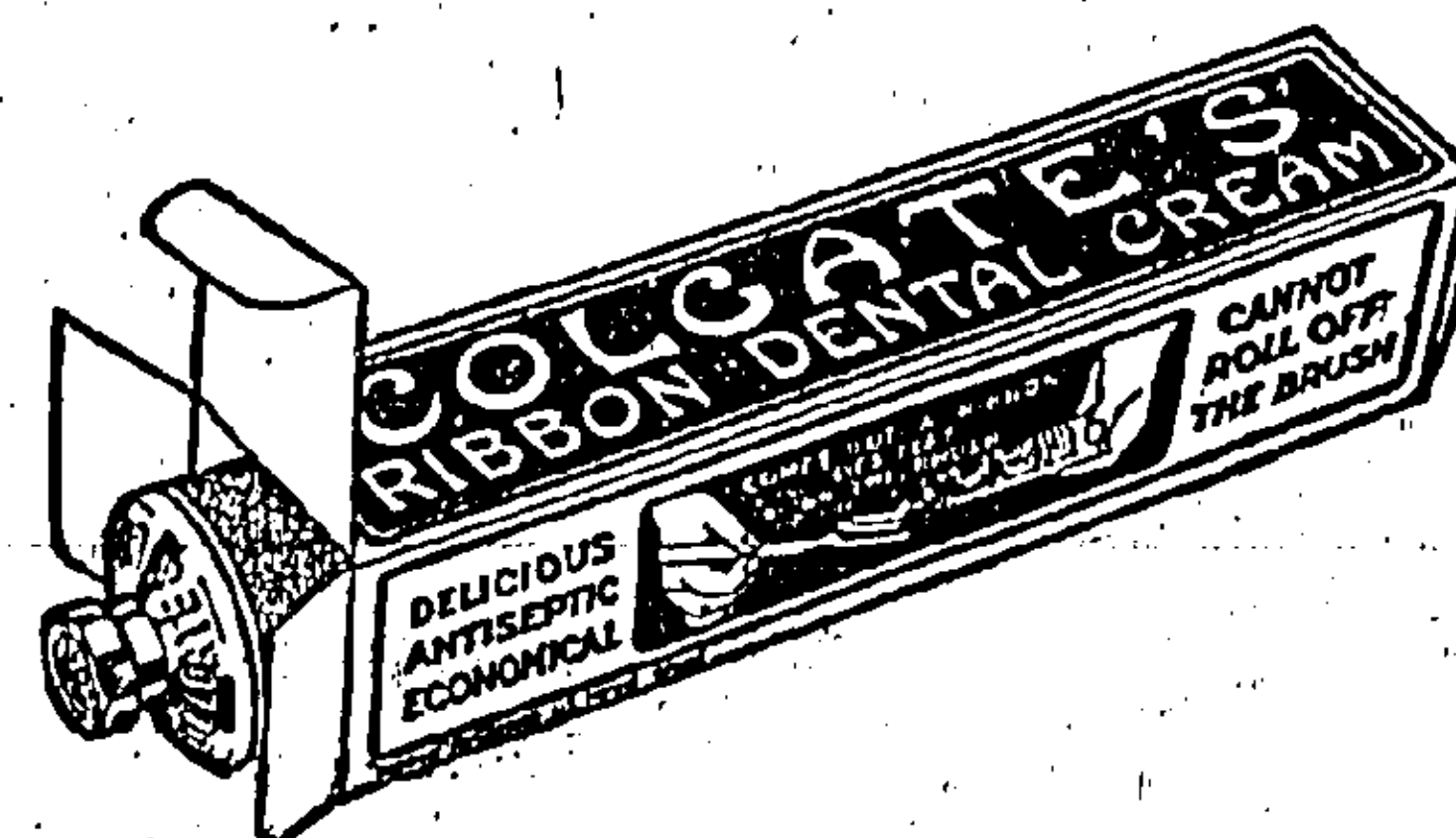
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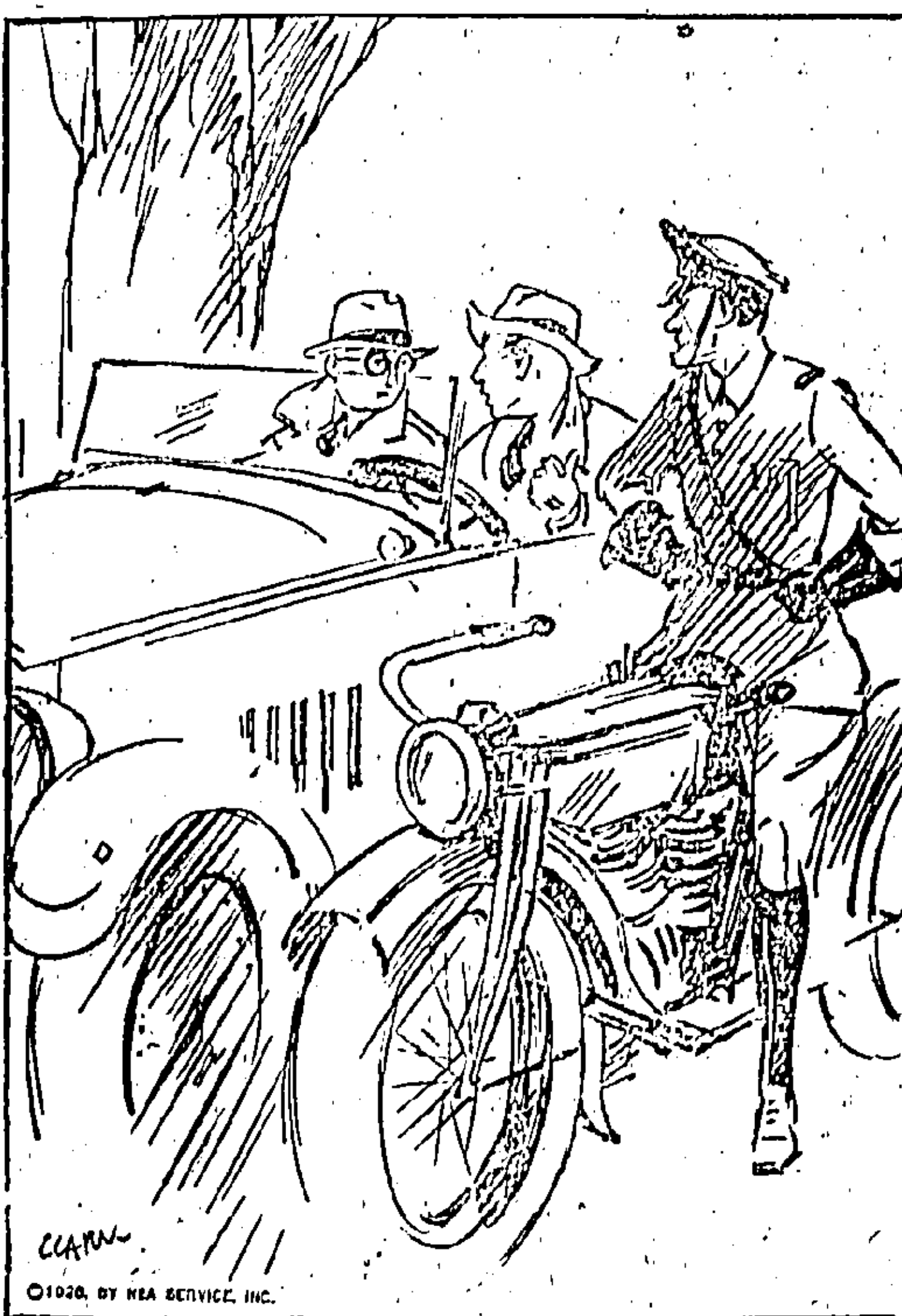
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LOCAL CRICKET.

FIRST INTERPORT TRIAL ON SATURDAY.

The first trial match, in preparation for the forthcoming cricket interport with Shanghai, was played on Saturday between teams captained by T. E. Pearce and H. R. B. Hancock, the game ending in a draw. Pearce's eleven batted first and knocked up 152 for the loss of nine wickets when the innings was declared closed. Parker was top scorer with 47, while Capt. Thorp contributed 37 and Ramsey 32. Owen Hughes took five wickets for 58 runs.

At the close of play Hancock's team had scored 112 runs for the loss of two wickets, Hayward making 50 and Rev. E. K. Quick 30 not out. The full scores were:

Pearce's XI.

A. W. Ramsey, c and b Owen Hughes	37
Capt. N. Thorp, b Owen Hughes	32
G. R. Sayer, b Owen Hughes	0
A. H. Madar, c Jex, b Quick	0
T. E. Pearce, c Hayward, b Owen Hughes	1
B. J. R. Mitchell, c Batger, b Owen Hughes	3
H. V. Parker, run out	47
Lt. Comdr. A. P. Shaw, c	15
Fincher, b Wales	15
P. Goodwin, not out	4
E. R. Duckitt, c Hancock, b	8
Wales	2
Extras	2

Total (for 9 wks., dec.) 152
G. R. Vallack did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wales	15	52	2	2
Musson	7	2	16	5
Owen Hughes	15	2	58	5
Quick	7	2	24	1

Hancock's XI.

A. W. Hayward, c Parker, b	50
Goodwin	14
E. C. Fincher, b Madar	30
Rev. E. K. Quick, not out	30
Lt. A. H. Musson, not out	4
Extras	12

Total (for 2 wks.) 112
H. Owen Hughes, K. H. Batger, S. Jex, S. J. Jordan, W. K. "Tait", R. Hancock, and C. D. Wales did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Thorp	13	5	34	1
Goodwin	9	3	23	1
Parker	6	2	11	1
Madar	6	2	20	1
Vallack	4	1	3	1

MILLION DOLLARS FOR UNIVERSITY.

YALE BENEFITS BY DEPEWS
WILL.

New York, Apr. 18.
Yale University was left \$1,000,000 by Chauncey Depew, railway magnate and former political leader who died recently. The contents of his will were made public here to-day. His bequests exceeded \$22,000,000.

Although his estate was considerably greater than that, its size was not disclosed. His widow will receive one half of the residuary of the estate during her life.

COLLEGE COMEDY.

AMUSING FILM AT QUEEN'S
THEATRE.

Richard Dix and Ethel Ralston are the two stars in "The Quarterback," a capital comedy of American college life, which is being shown at the Queen's Theatre for the last time to-day.

The film received a very favourable reception when screened before crowded audiences yesterday, comedy and romance being woven together in a highly diverting story, which maintains its interest throughout.

A topical gaggle including the Hongkong Police Inspection and a short-reel comedy make up an excellent programme.



CIVILIANS WIN LAI WAH CUP.

REMARKABLE VICTORY
OVER ARMY.

WHEELER AS CUSTODIAN.

[By "Wanderer."]

Apart from the result, a win for the Civilians over the Army by five goals to three, the feature of the Lai Wah Cup final, on Saturday, was the superb display of Frank Wheeler, the Kowloon captain and right-back, between the sticks.

A late-comer to the game would never have suspected from his performance that he had taken the place of the selected custodian, consequent upon the latter's injury early on, while the fact that Clark went from goalkeeper to centre-forward and netted two goals served to confirm the illusion that all was normal.

Wheeler gave a splendid display in goal. The Army exerted severe pressure but deputy goalkeeper dealt with everything which came his way in accomplished manner and it was not until his side had established a lead of five goals to two that a wonderful shot by McGlinchey was allowed to pass him.

In a heavy scoring game, six of the goals were netted prior to the interval, which found the Civilians leading by four goals to two although the Army at one stage had held a lead of 2-1. The match opened with lively play by both sides, the Army playing the more methodical game, while the Civilians kept the ball on the move with long swinging passes.

Cornwall scored from the outside-left position soon after the start, but a penalty against the Civilians gave Sims an easy opportunity of equalising the scores. Soon afterwards, Leach put a valiant effort to save. Two minutes later in another Army raid, Clark suffered an injury to his hand and was forced to retire for attention. It was from this point that Wheeler took up a position in the goal, and when Clark returned to the field, he played at centre-forward, Bishop dropping to left-back and Wynne switching over to right-back.

The re-arranged side was apparently not the force that it had been before, but Pike broke through on the right, and from his centre, Clark had no difficulty in putting his side on level terms. Rocha snapped up an opportunity to score a perfect goal, and the same player put the Civilians further ahead after a long spell on pressure on the civilian goal had been relieved in great style by Wynne.

After the interval, the Army were predominant, but Clark made the game safe for the Civilians by converting another of Pike's perfect centres. Wheeler, well supported by Wynne and Bishop had a busy time subsequently, but the match was strategically over before McGlinchey defeated him with a terrific shot from 20 yards' range.

The Civilians were somewhat fortunate to be ahead, but can be congratulated on snapping up chances provided by momentary lapses in the Army defence. The Civilians were best served by the defence, McKelvie and McGreevy playing a strong game at half-back while behind them, Wheeler, Wynne and Bishop were safe.

The forwards were lively but never well together. The wingers were dangerous raiders, while the inside men did not hesitate in their shooting, Rocha being perhaps the pick.

For the Army, Sims and McGlinchey were most conspicuous. The backs defended stoutly, but both made very costly mistakes, while Hill found Pike's speed a little more than he could cope with. The attack was impressive in midfield but inclined to be over-elaborate in the vicinity of goal, a fatal error when facing seasoned players of the Wynne, Bishop and McKelvie type. Terrifically, the Army had the better of the game, but the opposition took its chances.

The victory enabled the Civilians to inscribe their name on the Lai Wah Cup for the third time since the trophy was put up for competition. The only other winners of the Cup are the Army, who succeeded last year.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

GUARDS DEFEAT TAIKOO
IN FRIENDLY.

A friendly shoot took place at Taikoo Rifle Range on Sunday morning between the 2nd Bn. Scots Guards and the Taikoo Rifle Club, resulting in a win for the Guards by 21 points. The conditions were terms of ten with best eight to count, remainder as per Hongkong Rifle League Rules. Only eight men turned out for Taikoo. The scores were:

Scots Guards Rifle Club.

	200	500	600	Tot.
Lt. C. A. R. Coghill	24	30	32	86
D/S. Blakeley	32	21	27	80
C. M. S. Proven	30	33	33	96
Sgt. I/M. Slater	29	30	29	88
Sgt. Ley	31	30	30	91
Sgt. Quinn	29	30	28	87
Sgt. Jeffrey	22	33	28	83
Sgt. Washington	24	32	30	86
Piper Taylor	30	31	28	89
Gdsm. Marnoch	32	31	29	92

283 301 287 871

Less Counted Out 162

Total 709

Grand Total 709

Taikoo Rifle Club.

Mr. Boulton	30	32	30	92
Mr. Cameron	22	30	23	75
Mr. Grimshaw	30	32	29	91
Mr. Maxwell	27	25	25	77
Mr. MacIndoe	28	29	30	87
Mr. MacLennan	34	33	28	95
Mr. Walmsley	29	33	30	92
Mr. Nisbet	20	30	25	75

220 244 220 684

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MILITARY SPORTS.

TO-MORROW'S INTER-UNIT MEETING.

The inter-unit athletic meeting will be held at Sookpook tomorrow and Wednesday. Admission will be free. Teas supplied by Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will be obtainable on the ground; price, 60 cents.

The Band of the 2nd Bn. the King's Own Scottish Borderers, by kind permission of Lieutenant Colonel L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., and the Officers, will play during the afternoon of the 25th.

HOCKEY.

H.K. HOCKEY CLUB V. K.O.S.B.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI to-morrow at King's Park at 5.15 p.m.—F. S. Nicholls, R. R. Todd, L. F. Nicholson, L. A. R. Duncan (Capt.), Rev. J. P. Murray, A. C. Howell, L. P. Thomas, R. K. Valentine, B. W. Sampson, W. A. Nowers, T. P. Saunders.

The Hongkong Hockey Club will play the K.O.S.B. on Wednesday, the following will represent the respective teams: Club (colour): A. C. Howell, A. P. Farquharson, J. E. Henry, J. P. Murray, A. A. Dand (Capt.), J. E. Noronha, K. Batger, W. Woodward, E. D. Lawrence, L. A. R. Duncan and B. W. Sampson. Volunteers (white): F. S. Nicholls, E. W. Ralston, D. Lyon, Grieve, E. J. Mitchell (Capt.), L. F. Nicholson, T. P. Saunders, R. K. Valentine, H. Owen Hughes, P. L. P. Thomas and G. P. Lammert.

ROYAL NAVY WIN.

Easy Win Against Weak Chinese Team.

The Royal Navy fielded a strong side against the Chinese Athletic and won by five goals to nil. The Chinese were weakly represented, playing only five of their first eleven.

Beginning in great style, the Navy went ahead early on through Simmonds and before the interval further goals had been added by Fifth, Simmonds and Kennedy. Simmonds completed his "hat-trick" and scored the fifth goal of the match some ten minutes after the interval. The Chinese gave a much more interesting display in the second half, but Barkham and Baker covered Brockman so well that the goalkeeper was seldom seriously troubled.

Simmonds made his first appearance in a Navy side in Hongkong and his three goals seem to stamp him as a worthy successor to Northey. The match would of course prove much more interesting had the Chinese been at full strength. In the circumstances the Navy easily established their

FOOTBALL FORECAST COMPETITION.

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The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English League matches (to be played on Saturday next, April 28th) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the Telegraph during the weeks August 29—September 24.

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Aston Villa	v	Bolton
Bury	v	Cardiff
Leicester	v	Huddersfield

DIVISION II.

Fulham	v	Reading
Hull	v	Notts County
Notts F.	v	Stoke

DIVISION III.

Coventry	v	Norwich
Newport	v	Northampton
Bristol R.	v	Luton
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Bristol R.	v	Luton
Accrington	v	Stockport
Lincoln	v	Bradford
Wigan	v	Barrow

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the sum of \$1 part thereof on the First day of May, 1928, and as to the balance thereof, i.e., \$4, on the First day of June, 1928, at the end of the first paragraph, and the insertion in the place thereof of the words "in full or by such instalments and on such dates as the Directors shall in their absolute discretion decide."

The Chairman then moved the third resolution:—"That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd share held by such shareholder."

This was seconded by Mr. Botelho and carried.

BOXING TOURNAMENT OFF.

We understand it is probable that the boxing tournament arranged for Saturday next will not take place, some difficulty having arisen concerning the use of the Theatre, superiority.

MURDER TRIAL AT SESSIONS.

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instrument with which they could have been inflicted was a chopper or an axe. There were two choppers in the kitchen of the Indian quarters on February 18th, but when the cookboy went there on the following day, one had vanished.

Weapon Sharpened.
One of the Chinese shopkeepers would say that at about half past six on the evening of February 18th an Indian asked permission to use a whetstone to sharpen either a knife or chopper, and that permission was granted. No chopper had been discovered, added Mr. Fitzroy, but one had only to walk a short distance to the reclamation and throw such an instrument into the sea, when there would practically be no possibility of its being found.

At 6.30 on the morning of February 19th, the prisoner was arrested on the Kowloon Railway Station where he had bought a ticket for Sham Chun, in Chinese territory. The only explanation he could give was that he was going to see some friends. Human bloodstains were found on his trousers and on an overcoat he was wearing. Also, concluded Mr. Fitzroy, when a return visit was paid to the quarters at Laichikok the prisoner's tunic was found on a bed, and it was discovered that the tunic also bore stains of human blood.

Scalp Practically Smashed.
Dr. J. R. Dovey, medical officer in charge of Kowloon Mortuary, spoke of making a post mortem examination and described the various wounds on the dead man's head. The scalp, he said, was practically smashed in on the left side, and one blow had penetrated to the brain. There were four fractures at the base of the skull. The right hand was clenched and the left hand was open. On the knuckles of the clenched hand there was a cut about an inch and a half long. The cause of death was multiple wounds of the skull, fractures, and laceration of the brain. Witness said the stomach was sent to be tested with regard to alcohol, and it was found that alcohol was present.

Witness gave it as his opinion that a chopper or an axe could have caused the injuries, or some heavy instrument with a sharp edge. One of the wounds would probably have been caused when the man was standing up, but the others might have been caused while the man was lying down.

Replying to counsel for the defence, witness agreed that he certified the prisoner as fit to be charged. He would say that both men were about 35 years of age and that Jett Singh was the stronger of the two. His liver showed signs of fatty degeneration, but that did not indicate that he was an habitual drinker. Small abrasions that were found on the palms of the prisoner's hands were consistent with a fall.

Dr. W. K. Duncombe, Assistant Government Bacteriologist, gave evidence with regard to the bloodstains on the prisoner's clothes.

The case is proceeding.

CHURCH CONCERT.

SUCCESSFUL LOCAL
EVENT.

For the upkeep of expenses towards their various departments of activities, members of the Hop Yat Tong in Bonham Road (formerly the To Tai Church in Hollywood Road) organized a concert, held during the week-end, which proved to be an entire success. Despite the threatening weather, the hall was crowded, and the Committee's thanks are due to the many who so kindly rendered assistance.

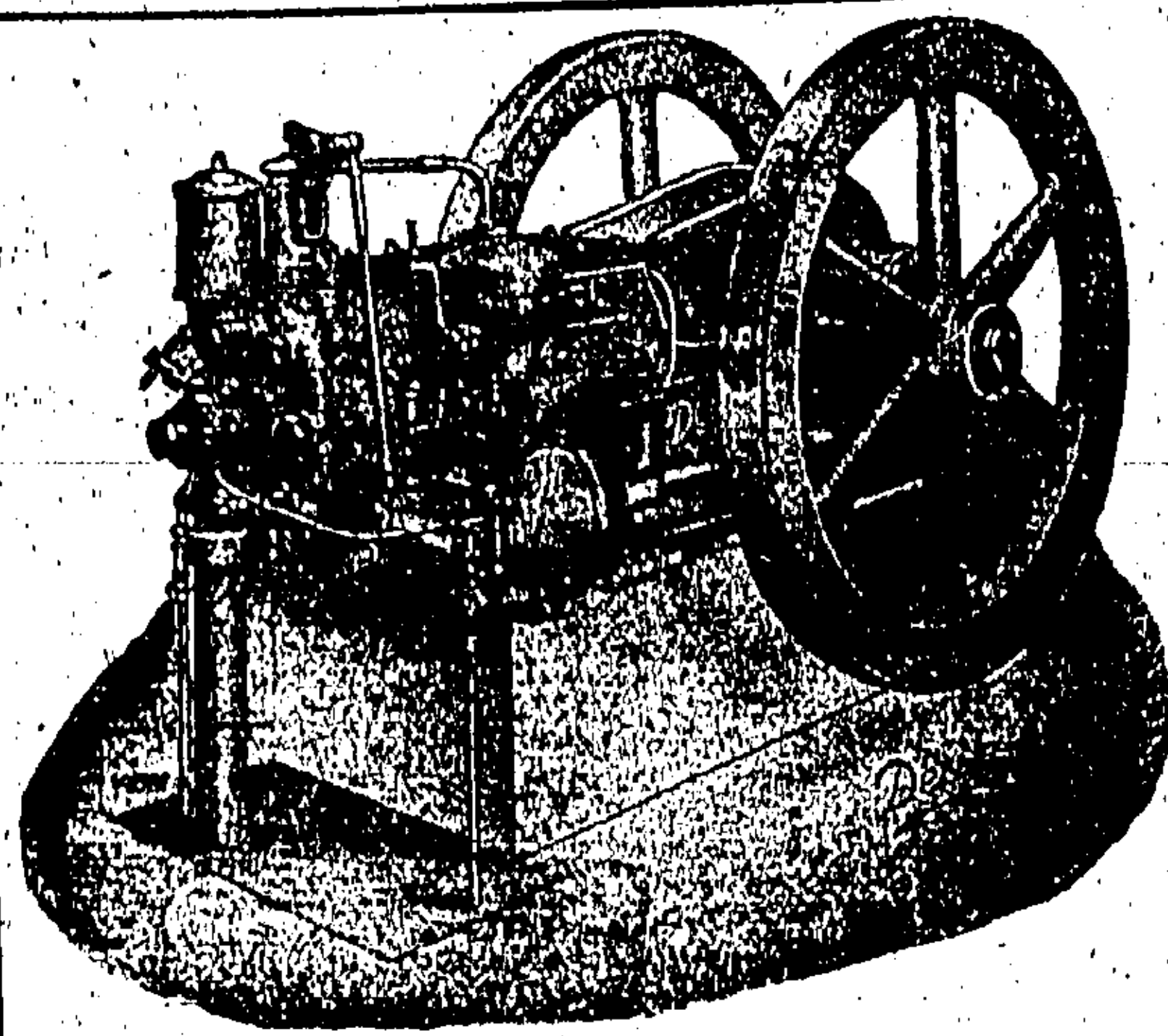
Particular mention should be made of the efforts of Miss Violet Capell and her numerous pupils, whose exhibition of classical dances was received with great applause. A piano solo by Miss Florence Wong, and jazz music by the Chinese Orchestral Group, who recently returned after an Australian tour, were also greatly appreciated.

The musical programme was followed by a Chinese play in three acts, translated from "Doll's House."

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Madrid, Apr. 17.
Several newspapers here to-day printed a rumour that Premier Primo de Rivera is to be married on Sept. 24. His betrothed, the rumours state, is Senorita Maria Castellanos, an orphan of aristocratic lineage and the sister of a Spanish diplomat. The rumour has not been confirmed officially.



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ST. PETER'S CLUB MARATHON.

PTE. TIERNAN SECURES ANOTHER WIN.

Private Tiernan, of the R.A.M.C., won in convincing style the Marathon organized by the St. Peter's Y. M. Club on Saturday afternoon, when he covered a distance just under ten miles in the good time of 53 minutes. This was against a field of 65, which included a large number of Indian runners from the Mounted Battery.

Private Tiernan thus repeated his success in the Kowloon Marathon held last month by St. Andrew's Young Men's Club.

Abdul Gafur, one of the Indian runners, at one time looked as if he was seriously challenging the winner for first place, but was disqualified when it was found that, owing to a misunderstanding, he had taken a short cut. As a team, being the first to have five members finish the distance, the Indians nevertheless won under this heading, and took the team shield.

Both the Championship Cup and the Team Shield were donated by the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company.

Fair weather with a cooling breeze ameliorated the trying conditions of the course, which was set as follows:

Start at Lytleton Road (outside the hostel entrance of the Hongkong University) along Lytleton Road, through Park Road, then wind up Robinson Road, along the New Motor Road to the end of Conduit Road, then through the Conduit Viaduct until Mr. Biggar's house; along Pokfulam Road, down Dairy Farm Hill to point of Jubilee Road, along that road of Mount Davis Road, up Mount Davis Road to the Point of Pokfulam Road, along that road, past the Hongkong University (front entrance) and along Bonham Road, finishing outside King's College.

The Competitors.

For the purposes of team competition, the contestants were divided into various groups, although the members, of course, ran independently against each other. Of the 65 who faced the starter (Mr. R. J. Hunt) only eight ran individually:

The line-up was as follows:

St. Peter's Club.—R. Leong, F. S. Tong, W. Cunningham, Lau Fu-chung, S. Chenalloy, Harold Kew, J. King and J. Hannan.
H.M.S. Tiana.—J.K.H. Gawn, W.R. Fell, D.H. Nelson, H.S.P. Watch. Six other members of this team arrived late and did not start.

Indian Mounted Battery.—Monshi Khan, Yousef Khan, Babu Singh, Abdul Gafur, Karlar Singh, Tara Singh, Daswanda Singh, Karam Hussain, Mohammed Khan, Din Mohammed, Darkat Ali, Dakh Taur Singh, Sr., and Dakh Taur Singh, Jr.
Queen's Regt.—Corpl. F. Allen and Privates A. Dry, A. Warner, G. Jennings, A. Woolard and G. Crafts.

Scott's Guards.—Lance-Corpls. F. Macdonald and Lilley, and Guardsmen J. King, R. A. Collins, J. Kelly, W. C. Leonard, D. Godward and Hart.

K.O.S.B.—Sergts. Watts and D. Falconer, Lance-Sergt. Canning, Lance-Corpls. Year, Mylie and J. Gilchrist, and Privates Hislop, Scott, Anderson, Richie, Torrens, Douglas, Nelson, Skinner, Banas, Walls, Belk and Mulvey.

Individuals.—S. Cutforth, A. L. Nemes, H. O. Davies, E. Harvey, P. W. Burchell, H. F. Regis, W. Gooding and Pte. J. Tiernan, R.A.M.C., winner of the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Club's Kowloon marathon last month.

The Race.

Tiernan took the lead soon after leaving Robinson Road, being followed closely by the Indians, and this position was unchanged for the greater part of the course. With the exception of two K.O.S.B. runners who brought up the rear of this batch, the other competitors were hopelessly out-run, although to their credit it must be mentioned that only nine failed to complete the course. The race was gruelling and called for great endurance.

At the Chinese Cemetery at Pokfulam, Tiernan was still leading, but after passing it, he was left behind by Abdul Gafur, who appeared to have achieved a remarkable feat in thus being able to overhaul fourteen leading men in a very short period. He actually came in first, and the battle was then explained. Owing to a misunderstanding, it was found that he had taken a short cut through the cemetery, and this accounted for his having passed Tiernan who, up to that point had been maintaining a comfortable lead.

Abdul Gafur was disqualified and Pte. Tiernan awarded first place. The judges were Messrs. F. Mow Fung, E. Zimmermann, Peter Pau and E. G. Steward.

The first fourteen men to finish the course were:

1. Pte. Tiernan, R.A.M.C. Time: 53 minutes.
2. Gunner Katar Singh, Mounted Battery.

3. Gunner Daswanda Singh, Mounted Battery.

4. Gunner Babu Singh, Mounted Battery.

5. Pte. Anderson, K.O.S.B.

6. Gunner Monshi Khan, Mounted Battery.

7. Lance-Corpl. Year, K.O.S.B.

8. Pte. Banas, K.O.S.B.

9. Pte. Nemes, R.A.M.C.

10. Sergt. Watts, K.O.S.B.

11. Gunner Mohammed Khan, Mounted Battery.

12. D. K. H. Gawn (H. M. S. Tiana).

13. Gunner Karkat Ali, Mounted Battery.

14. Lance-Corpl. Mylie, K.O.S.B.

Harold Kew and R. Leong won the special prizes offered to the first two members of St. Peter's Club to complete the race.

Prize Distribution.

The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Swann, wife of the Very Rev. Dean A. Swann, D. S. C., M. A., the President of the Club, as a gathering in the Club house. Afterwards, Mrs. Swann was presented with a bunch of lilies gathered from the garden of the Club.

Following were the prize-winners:

Nestangle Challenge Cup (presented by the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company).—Pte. Tiernan, R.A.M.C., who also received the first prize cup presented by the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd.

Second prize Cup (presented by the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd.).—Gunner Katar Singh, Mounted Battery.

Third prize Cup (presented by Mr. Lytton).—Gunner Daswanda Singh, Mounted Battery.

Fourth prize Medal.—Gunner Babu Singh, Mounted Battery.

Nestangle Team Shield (presented by the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co.).—Won by the Mounted Battery, the first five of whose team to complete the course being Gunners Katar Singh, Daswanda Singh, Babu Singh, Monshi Khan and Mohammed Khan. In addition to the Shield, each member of the team received a Silver Medal.

Club Members' Prizes.—1st prize Cup, Harold Kew; 2nd prize Cup, R. Leong.

Billiards Prizes.

The opportunity was also taken of distributing the Club's Billiards Championship prizes, as follows:

Challenge Cup (presented by Hon. Dr. Kotewall) Philip Tai.
1st Prize (presented by Wing On Co.) Philip Tai.

2nd Prize, Earnest Zimmermann.

Doubles Handicap.—1st, Tai and Ko; 2nd, W. A. Youngsaye and G. S. Zimmermann.

Singles Handicap.—1st, George Ko; 2nd, Maurice Weill.

Highest Break Cue (presented by Lane Crawford, Ltd.) P. Tai (53 points).

At the conclusion cheers and "tigers" were given for Mrs. Swann and the Club's Chairman.

The thanks of the Club are due to the Traffic Police and members of the Police Reserve "Flying Squad" who rendered valuable services in regulating traffic, and to Mr. R. J. Hunt for acting as starter.

SOUTH CHINA TRADE.

HOPES OF THE HONGKONG SUGAR MERCHANTS.

The Hongkong Sugar Merchants' Association premises at 30, Des Vaux Road West were attractively decorated with bunting on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of celebrating the third anniversary of its establishment. There was a large attendance of members and friends at the tea party.

In the evening, over a hundred guests gathered at a banquet in the International Restaurant, West Point. The Chairman, Mr. Ho Kwong, presided, and was supported by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Wong Chan-ling.

The principal speaker of the occasion was Mr. Ho Yu, Comptroller of the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., who said, in part, as follows:

"Although established only three years ago, this Guild is heartily to be congratulated on having weathered so much storm and stress in the economic and political disturbance raging in this part of China. No seaman had this market got over the effects of 1926 and was showing signs of improvement than more troubles followed. The over-issue of Central Bank Notes was perhaps the most detrimental of all and constituted one of the main causes for the strained finance in the market of Canton. Let it be said that what with banditry, piracy, coupled with the machinations of the Reds in Canton, trade never had the shadow of a chance to revive to any appreciable degree.

The silver lining in the dark cloud is to be seen in the commendable efforts of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, in promoting the Entente Cordiale between Hongkong and Canton. The progress achieved in that direction is bearing fruit, however imperceptibly at the moment. Another happy sign of the times to be taken note of is the recent interview given to the local Chinese press by Mr. T. G. Weill, the Manager of Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd., in the course of which he advocated strongly closer co-operation between the merchants of Hongkong, Canton and Shantung, for the purpose of fostering better trade in South China.

Closer Relationship.

This expression of opinion is quite in accord with what the local Chinese Chamber of Commerce was trying to bring about some few months ago. What is more, I myself have stressed on more than one occasion in the local press the need for working for revival of trade through closer relationship between the merchants of Hongkong and Canton. My brother, Mr. Ho Kwong, the Chairman, has also worked indefatigably together with two leading merchants of Canton, Messrs. Chow Din-hong and Wu Chung-tong, to consolidate the position of the merchants in the two ports. Unhappily, the Red uprising of last December frustrated all efforts towards that end.

The biggest issue confronting Marshal Li Chai-sum at this hour

OVER THE POLE.

WILKINS' ARCTIC FLIGHT SUCCEEDS.

Oslo, Apr. 21.

According to an unconfirmed report in the newspaper *Dagblad*, the airman Captain George Wilkins and Lieut. B. Nielsen have arrived at Spitzbergen from Alaska, after a flight of twenty-one hours—*Reuter*.

Report Confirmed.

New York, Apr. 21.

The report of the success of Captain George Wilkins' attempt to fly across the Arctic Ocean from Port Barrow in Alaska to Spitzbergen has been confirmed by a wireless message from Captain Wilkins to the *Detroit News* from Spitzbergen, stating that he reached Spitzbergen after twenty-one-and-a-half hours' flying.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Incomparable Feat.

London, Apr. 22.

Details of the 12,000-mile flight of the Australian explorer Captain Wilkins across the North Pole are still lacking, but a Copenhagen message quotes the well-known explorer Captain Roald Amundsen, as saying: "No flight has been made anywhere or at any time which can in any way be comparable with this flight."

Cables from Oslo disclose the fact that Capt. Wilkins left Alaska six days ago, and after crossing the Pole the machine was forced to land on a desolate island, north of Spitzbergen where the aviators encountered some Norwegians after five days' search. Resuming, the aviators flew to Spitzbergen.

Captain Wilkins had on two previous occasions attempted a trans-Polar flight. He is a small, bearded man. He won the Military Cross during the Great War. He accompanied Shackleton in the expedition which the latter made in the quest to the South Polar Regions.—*Reuter*.

BACK TO BRITAIN.

OLD MASTER REPURCHASED FROM AMERICA.

London, Apr. 21.

Sir Joseph Duveen, the well-known British art expert, has purchased in America Gainsborough's famous picture, "The Harvest Wagon," and is bringing it back to England. The price paid was £72,000.—*British Wireless*.

is how to evolve order out of chaos in Canton by adjusting the Central bank notes, by putting them on a sounder basis, and getting well under control piracy, banditry and Red agitations in the province of Kwangtung. If Marshal Li should bend his energy to grappling with these issues, there would surely be a far better trade outlook in this Colony and adjacent country. It is sincerely hoped that when we foregather again to celebrate the next anniversary, we shall see the realization of our most sanguine expectations.

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CHAPTER XVII.

Hours more of "crystal-gazing," of giving lavish promises of "long journeys," success, wealth, sweet hearts, husbands, wives, bumper corn and wheat crops, babies—until 11 o'clock and the merciful dwindling of the carnival crowds, permitted a weary little "Princess Lalla" to slip out of the "Palace of Wonders" tent, Pitty Sing, the midget woman, cradled in her arms like a baby. For Pitty Sing had promptly adopted Sally as her human sedan chair, uncompromisingly dismissing black-eyed Nita, the "Hula-Hula" dancer, who had previously performed that service for her.

"I don't like Nita a bit," the tiny treble voice informed Sally with great definiteness. "I do like you, and I shall compensate you generously for your services. Nita has no proper respect for me, though I command—and I say it without boasting, I hope—twice the salary that that indecent muscle-dancer does. And she always joggled me," the midget added aggrievedly.

"Poor Pitty Sing!" Sally soothed her, as she picked her way carefully over the grass stubble to the big dress tent which also served as sleeping quarters for the women performers of the "Palace of Wonders." "Haven't you anyone to look after you? Anyone belonging to you, I mean?"

"Why should I have?" the indignant little piping voice demanded from Sally's shoulder. "I'm a woman grown, as I've reminded you before. I've been paying Nita five dollars a week to carry me to and from the show tent for each performance. Of course there are a few other little things she does for me, but if you'd like to have the position I think we would get along very nicely."

"Oh, I'm sure of it!" Sally exclaimed, laying her cheek for an instant against the flaxen, marcelled little head. "Thank you, Pitty Sing, thank you with all my heart!" "Please don't call me 'Pitty Sing,'" the little voice commanded tartly. "The name does very well for exhibition purposes, but my name is Miss Tanner—Elizabeth Matilda Tanner."

"Oh, I'm sorry!" Sally protested, hurt and abashed. "I didn't mean—"

"But you may call me Betty," the treble was suddenly sweet and sleepy like a child's. "One of the miniature hands fluttered out inadequately to help Sally part the flaps of the dress tent, which was deserted except for the fat girl, already asleep and snoring stentorously."

Sally knelt to enable the midget to stand on the beaten down stubble which served as the only carpet of Sally's new "dormitory."

"Thank you, Sally," the midget piped, her eyes lifted toward Sally out of a network of wrinkles which testified that she was indeed a "woman grown." "You're a very nice little girl, and your David is one of the handsomest men I ever saw."

"Your David!" Sally's heart repeated the words, sang them, crooned over them, but she did not answer, except with one of her rare, sudden, sweet smiles.

Nita evidently thinks so, too, the weak little treble went on, as "Pitty Sing" trotted toward her cot, looking like an animated doll. "I might as well warn you right now, Sally, that I don't trust that Nita person as far as I can throw a ball by the horns."

She flung her dire pronouncement over a tiny, pink-silk shoulder as she knelt before a small metal trunk and reached into her bosom for a key suspended around her neck on a chain.

Sally's desire to laugh at the preposterous picture of the midget throwing a ball by the horns was throttled by a new and particularly horrid fear.

"What do you mean, Betty?" she gasped. "Has Nita—?" "—been vamping your David?" tiny Miss Elizabeth Matilda Tanner finished her sentence for her. "It would not be Nita if she overlooked a prospect like your David. It is entirely obvious that he is a person



Your David! Sally's heart repeated the words, sang them, crooned over them.

of breeding and family, even if he is helping Buck in the 'privilege' car kitchen. Nita is always so broke that she has to eat her meals in the cook tent, but she borrowed or stole the money to-day to eat in the privilege car, and she found it necessary to confer with your David on a purely fictitious dietetic problem, and then went boldly into the kitchen to time the eggs he was boiling for her. That Nita! the tiny voice snorted contemptuously. "She's as strong as a horse and has about as much need for a special diet as an elephant has for goshesha. Oh, she's up to her tricks, not a doubt about that. I just thought I'd warn you in time. Nita's a man-eating tigress and once she's smelled blood—"

"Thank you, Betty," Sally interrupted gently, as she knelt beside the midget to help her with the lid of the trunk. "But David isn't my David, you know. He's—he's just a friend who helped me out when I was in terrible trouble. If Nita likes David, and he—likes her—"

"Don't be absurd!" the midget scolded her, seating herself on a tiny stool to take off her baby-size shoes and stockings. "Of course you're in love with him, and he's crazy about you—a blind person could see that. Will you untie this shoe-lace, please? My nightgown is in the tray of the trunk, and you'll find a night cap there, too. I wear it," she explained severely, on the defensive against ridicule, "to protect my marcel. Heaven knows it's hard enough to get a good curl in these thick tresses, with the crowds gazing at me wherever I go. Then please get my lichen—a little green leather book. I'm reading 'Heida Gabler' now. Have you read it?"

"Oh, yes," Sally cried, delightedly. "Do you like to read? Could I borrow it to read between shows? I'll take awfully good care of it."

"Certainly I read!" Miss Tanner informed her severely, climbing, with Sally's help, into her tiny cot. "My father, who had a few little books made especially for me, was a university professor. I have completed the college course, under his tutelage. If he had not died I should not be here," and her little eyes were suddenly bitter with loneliness and resentment against the whimsy of a Providence that decided to make her so different from other women.

Sally found the miniature book, small enough to fit the midget's hand, and gave it to her, then stooped and kissed the little faded, wrinkled cheek and set about the difficult and unaccustomed task of removing her make-up. Beside her cot she found a small tin steamer trunk, stencilled in red paint with the magic name, "Princess Lalla." She stared at it incredulously for a long minute, then untwisted the wire holding duplicate keys.

When she threw back the lid she found a shiny black tin make-up box, containing the burnt-sienna

powder Mrs. Bybee had used in making her up for the first day's performances; a big can of theatrical cold cream; squares of soft cheese-cloth for removing make-up; two new towels; mascara, lip rouge, white face powder, a utilitarian black comb and brush; tooth paste and tooth brush.

"Oh, these kind people!" she whispered to herself, and bent her head upon the make-up box and wept grateful tears. Then, smiling at herself and humming a little tune below her breath, she lifted the tray and found—not the tell-tale dresses which Pearl Carson had given her and which had been minutely described by the police in the newspaper account of the near-tragedy on the Carson farm—but two new dresses, cheap but pretty, the little paper ticket stitched into the neck of each showing the size to be correct—14.

She was still kneeling before her trunk, blinded with tears of gratitude, when a coarse, nasal voice slashed across the dress tent:

"Well, strike me dumb, if it ain't the Princess Lalla in person, not a movie! Don't tell me you're gonna bunk with us, your highness! I thought you'd be sawing wood in Pop Bybee's stateroom by this time! What's the matter he ain't rocking you to sleep and giving you your nice warm little bottle?"

Sally rose slowly, the new dresses slithering to the floor in stiff folds. She patted the tears from her eyes with quick flutters of her eyelids and then stared at the girl who stood at the tent flap, taunting her.

She saw a thin, tall girl, naked to the waist except for breastplates made of tarnished metal studded with imitation jewels. About her lean hips and to her knees hung a skirt of dried grass, the regulation "hula dancer" skirt.

"You're—Nita, aren't you?" Sally's voice was small, placating. "I'm—"

"Oh, I know who you are! You're the orphan hussy the police are looking for!" the harsh voice ripped out, as Nita swung into the tent, her grass skirts swishing like the hiss of snakes. "Furthermore, you're Pop Bybee's blue-eyed baby little she-devil that stole my graft with that little midget! Well, Princess Lalla, I guess we've been introduced proper now, and we can skip formalities and get down to business. And she bent menacingly over Sally, evil black eyes glittering into wide, frightened blue ones, her mouth an ugly, twisting, red loop of hatred.

Sally backed away, instinctively, from the snake-tongues of venom in those black eyes. "I'm sorry I've offended you, Miss—Nita—" "If you're not you will be! Want me to tip off the police? Well, then, if you don't listen, because I want you to get this—and get it good, all of it!"

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SHANGHAI ARREST SENSATION.

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ingly set at that figure. The Court added that it would not be necessary to put up cash for bail.

To Report Daily.

At the same time Judge Purdy announced that the accused is to report daily to the United States Marshal, either in person or by telephone. The Marshal, may, the Judge said, keep Mr. Duff under surveillance if he so wishes. Mr. Davies seemed satisfied with the amount of bail demanded and offered no objection.

"Are you ready for trial?" the Court asked the accused. Mr. Schuhl stated that Mr. Duff is Manager of the Oil Export Company and that it will be necessary before going to trial for him to see certain books and records of the concern, which are now in the hands of the accountants who are checking up on the records and accounts.

Examine Books.

Mr. Davies stated that he was not quite clear as to what records and books are wanted by Mr. Schuhl, but that he has no objection to the accused and his counsel going over the records in question. The Acting District Attorney, however, stressed that he wants the records to be kept in the possession of his office.

It was announced by Mr. Davies that Mr. Cornell S. Franklin will be associated with him in the prosecution of the case. It is understood that Mr. Franklin has been retained by Mr. Cyril MacNear, owner of the Oil Export Company and who is stated to be living in California.

Judge Purdy, in the matter of bail, gave permission for Mr. Duff to leave the court with the U. S. Marshal for the purpose of arranging bail.

Released from Custody.

Early yesterday afternoon satisfactory bail was arranged and Mr. Duff was released from custody.

The information on which the warrant was issued charges Mr. Duff with the "unlawful and felonious embezzlement and conversion to his own use of \$18,491.46" of funds of the Oil Export Company in his custody. It is charged that the alleged embezzlement was committed between October 17, 1927, and February 24, 1928.

Discovery of the alleged embezzlement is said to have been made following the auditing of the books by Messrs. Haskins and Sells, chartered accountants. Mr. MacNear, owner of the company, is the complainant.

Prior to coming to Shanghai two years ago Mr. Duff lived in California and was connected with the Associated Oil Company. He is well known in the local American community.

The wife and child of the accused sailed from Shanghai a few days ago for America. It was decided by Judge Purdy that the trial will be held during the latter part of next week.

BOMBAY DISORDER.

STRIKERS IN CONFLICT WITH THE POLICE

Bombay, Apr. 21.

There are now twenty-three mills idle. Rowdy strikers demonstrated in front of the mills which are working and several clashes occurred between the strikers and the police. Eight strikers were arrested.

The Commissioner of Police has prohibited processions and meetings of strikers.—*Reuter*.

The gross receipts of Miss Daisy O'Keefe's Dancing Display at the Queen's Theatre on the 11th instant amounted to \$1,763 and Miss O'Keefe is, in the meantime, forwarding to Earl Haig's Fund a draft for \$20 and a cheque for \$50 to the Netherlands Hospital.

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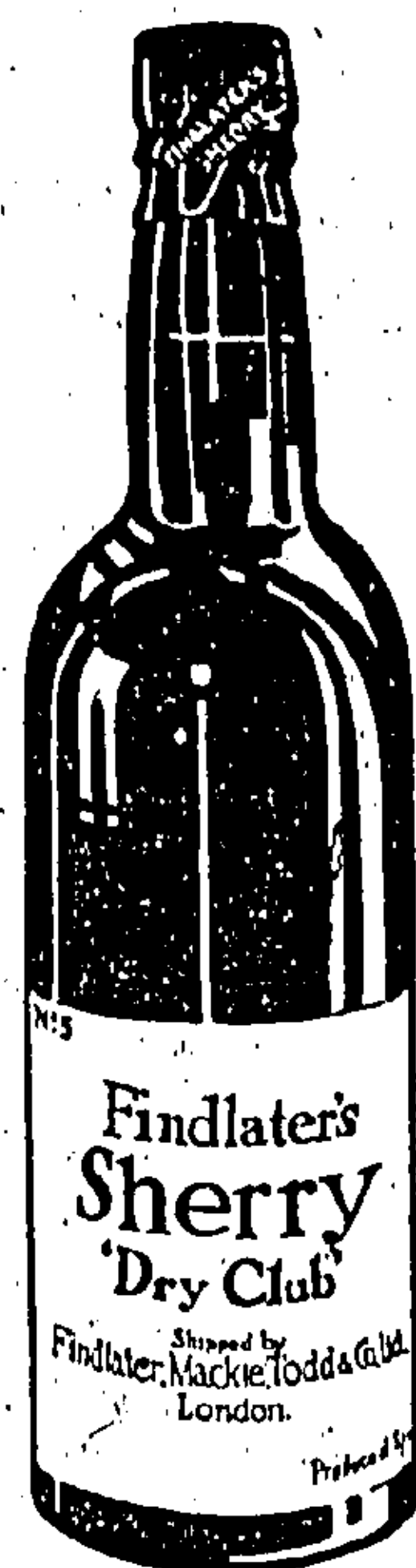
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SUFFERINGS OF VICTIMS.

Sofia, Apr. 22.

Earthquake shocks accompanied by underground rumblings continue at Philippopolis and the rest of the devastated region throughout the night of Friday and yesterday.

Heavy rain and severe cold added to the miseries of the earthquake victims camping in tents and huts.—*Reuter*.

LETTER GOLF
SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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OPIUM SQUABBLE.

THE HONGKONG SEIZURE.

Geneva, Apr. 21.

At the Opium Committee meeting a report was read regarding the seizure at Hongkong (last week) of 1,750 ounces of heroin and 288 ounces of morphine, shipped by a Dutch firm to Shanghai and seized in Hongkong as the result of information supplied by the Dutch authorities.

An interesting statement was made upon the situation in China, showing that the Chinese felt that Europe and Japan were poisoning and weakening them by introducing narcotics into China.

Mr. Chao read a long statement declaring that the Chinese Government upheld the prohibition and cultivation of opium.

Persia and Turkey.

M. Brenier declared that 163,000 kilos of Persian opium above the official figures were exported, and urged that the Persian Government be asked to explain.

Mr. Sato regretted very much that Japan administrative measures with regard to the illicit traffic had not been more successful. He forebade the possibility of new legislation, but pointed to many difficulties, notably the fact that Chinese were able to charter Japanese vessels to transport opium.

Sir Malcolm Delevingne (Britain) drew attention to the fact that in one year 160,000 tons of Persian opium were shipped to Vladivostok.

Sir John Campbell (India) pointed out that as long as no control existed to Turkey and Persia the proceedings of the committee were marked by a sense of unreality.

Situation in China.

Mr. L. A. Lyall (Assessor) made an impressive statement on the situation in China. He said the opium revenue of the Shanghai district was £2,000,000 annually. At present there was no prospect of ameliorating the position.

The situation with regard to morphine in China was worse than twenty years ago. Incalculable harm had been done and the people were convinced that Britain was responsible for the introduction of opium into China.

Mr. Lyall recognised that Japan was doing everything possible to stop smuggling, but said many difficulties were in the way.

Mr. Chao emphasised China's policy of prohibition. He admitted slackness in carrying it out, but China was not master in her own house. It was difficult to control the foreign concessions and foreign nationals.

Mr. Chao gave large figures of imports of morphine, heroin and Cocaine into China and mentioned that the Chinese authorities had seized 1,400 kilos of opium and large quantities of narcotics.

Control Scheme Rejected.

It is learned that the Opium Sub-Committee has unanimously rejected Signor Cavazzoni's scheme for comprehensive control of the opium drug, which it regarded as going too far. It proposes its own scheme instead.—*Reuter*.

[The Italian plan suggested international control, a licence to be necessary for internal traffic in opium.]

ORDER IN EGYPT.

PROPOSED NEW BILL CAUSES ANXIETY.

London, Apr. 21.

The text of a proposed Assembly Law which is to come before the Egyptian Senate on April 30 has reached London and is the subject of unfavourable comment in the press.

When the Egyptian Government rejected the draft Anglo-Egyptian treaty, which had been negotiated by Sarwat Pasha and Sir Austen Chamberlain, they were reminded in a communication sent at the beginning of last month that the British Government could not permit the discharge of its responsibility for protection of foreigners in Egypt to be endangered by Egyptian legislation.

The Present bill is regarded by the press as having the effect of facilitating political agitation and weakening the hands of those whose duty it is to maintain order.

Among the clauses which attract comment are those which stipulate that a police officer may attend a meeting but can only dissolve it in two cases, firstly if the committee responsible for the meeting requests in writing that this should be done, or secondly in case of grave disorder, in which event the meeting can be resumed if calm is considered to have been restored.

Lighter penalties are imposed on demonstrators who contravene the law than on officials who dissolve meetings in cases other than those indicated in the Bill.

The terms of whole measure are reported to have created misgivings among foreign residents in Egypt, and among the Egyptian police, who would have to wait for a definite breach of the peace before they could take any executive action.

The Times says that Zaghlul Pasha himself considered that the existing law of public meeting required strengthening rather than relaxation, and it can only be supposed that the extremists in or behind the Wafd party have simply made up their minds to impose an irresponsible gesture upon the Egyptian Government. Political excitement in Egypt has almost always been accompanied by anti-foreign rioting. There are fully a hundred thousand foreign residents in Egyptian towns. Others, especially Greeks, are scattered about the countryside. The value of their property is considerable and in times of trouble they are regularly menaced by local roughs whom the Egyptian authorities have always found difficult in restraining, and whom they will hardly be able to restrain at all if the Public Meetings Bill becomes law. Until the proposed law has been definitely passed by Senate and signed by King Fuad, there is always a hope that wiser counsels will prevail at the last moment, and that even the wilder spirits will realize that some gestures are neither dignified nor prudent.—*British Wireless*.

Tokyo, Apr. 22.

The Ashigara, Japan's fourth 10,000 ton cruiser, has been launched at Kobe.—*Reuter*.

RENOUNCING WAR.

AMERICAN DOUBTS.

Washington, Apr. 21.

While no comment is yet available from the State Department with regard to the French plan to outlaw war, it is understood that the proposals are so hedged about with restrictions that they will not satisfy American officials.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Text of Draft Treaty.

Paris, Apr. 21.

The French plan for a multilateral pact outlawing war has been published. It is in the form of a draft treaty of six articles, in effect as follows:

1. "The high contracting parties without endangering their legitimate right to defence within the limits of existing treaties, particularly when they conceive violation of certain clauses thereof as a hostile act, solemnly declare that they condemn recourse to war and renounce it as an instrument of national policy, namely as an instrument of personal, spontaneous, independent political action, wherein they take the initiative, and not of action wherein they find themselves involved by the application of a treaty such as the Covenant of the League of Nations or any other treaty registered with the League of Nations. They engage themselves under these conditions to make no attack or invasion one against the other."

2. The solution of all disputes and differences shall be sought entirely by peaceful means.

3. Any breach of this Treaty releases the high contracting parties from obligations with regard to the guilty party.

4. This clause makes clear that the present Treaty in no way nullifies obligations consequent upon previous treaties.

5. This Treaty shall be proposed to all Powers and shall only become binding after it has been unanimously accepted, unless agreement to the contrary is reached.

6. The sixth article deals with conditions of ratification of the Treaty.—*Reuter*.

The Peace Quest.

London, Apr. 21.

Lord Cushendun, speaking at the League of Nations Union meeting last night, expressed his disappointment that more had not been done in progressive international disarmament, but emphasised that without waiting for any international agreement Britain had, for economy and other reasons, already carried out a large measure of reduction. This reduction was particularly notable in the personnel of the Navy, in tonnage of ships, and in dockyards. It might well be argued that Britain's reductions in the fighting strength of the three Services amply carried out her obligations to reduce her armaments to the lowest level consistent with public safety; but Britain had offered to do more, and was ready to do more as soon as agreement with other nations was reached.

One of the great obstacles at Geneva was the different views taken by nations on conscription; but he had faith that a very much larger measure of disarmament would be accomplished, although in itself it was not only a factor in maintaining peace.—*British Wireless*.

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JAPANESE TROOPS FOR TSINANFU.

Peking, Apr. 21.
A lull is reported on all fronts. Although the Fengtien leaders are not sending troops into Shantung, it is reliably reported that they have sent 400,000 shells to Tsinanfu; also that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has sent to General Chang Chung-chang a million and a quarter dollars, at the latter's urgent request.—*Reuter*.

Saturday's reports stated that General Mow, Pei-nam, of the "Ironsides," claimed that his troops had captured more than 10,000 Stantung-Chihli prisoners. Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang claimed that his Army had captured Taming.

General Chang Chung-chang had ordered his troops on the Tientsin-Pukow line to move back to T'aoan. Up to Thursday, more than 10,000 of his defeated units had reached the city.

Shansi Move.

Shanghai, Apr. 21.
The Kuo Min News Agency says: "There was a heavy bombardment of Tain by the Nationalist troops and a rapid retreat by General Chang Chung-chang to Tsinanfu."

"The mysterious disappearance of General Sun Chuan-fang followed the fall of Tsinling."

"Martial law has been declared at Peking."
"The removal of the headquarters of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek from Hsuehchow to Yenchow, and the capture of Shih-chia-chung by Shansi troops are features of the developments in the war situation yesterday."—*Reuter*.

Fengtien Withdrawal.

Peking, Apr. 22.
According to the present outlook it appears that Chang Tso-lin is planning to withdraw his troops to an already prepared defence line extending from Paotungfu on the Peking Hankow railway, to Tachow.

The Nationalists are reported to be rapidly progressing in south-east Shantung, towards Kaomi.—*Reuter*.

Position Not So Bad.

Peking, Apr. 22.
According to official reports the position of the Northern armies is much better than was believed a few days ago.

On the Kihnan front it is denied that there has been any important withdrawal, but it is claimed that the Fengtien forces are holding positions near Changtse although they have been instructed not to advance beyond that point for the present.

Chu Yu-pu's agent claims that the Chihli forces have captured Puchow, 40 miles south of Tamingfu.

It is also asserted that an official wire has been received stating that Sun Chuan-fang's army is still holding Taining and that Sun Chuan-fang has himself returned there.—*Reuter*.

Japan's Measures.

Peking, Apr. 21.
Four hundred and sixty Japanese troops from Tientsin arrived at Tsinanfu yesterday evening. The Japanese Legation has notified the Waichioapu that Japan-

THE TEAPOT DOME.

SINCLAIR'S ACQUITTAL MAY AFFECT ELECTIONS.

New York, Apr. 21.
Harry Sinclair, the oil magnate, has been tried in connection with the Teapot Dome oil scandal and has been acquitted.

Sinclair is still faced with the proceedings for contempt.—*Reuter's American Service*.

New York, Apr. 22.
The mercury in the Democratic thermometer dropped rapidly when Mr. Sinclair's acquittal was announced, for the mere mention in the past four years of the names of many prominent Republicans in connection with the Teapot Dome oil scandal has stimulated the hopes of the Democrats that the Republican standard could not be borne aloft at the presidential election in November if they are fully anticipated, the Republican administration's alleged "fraud and corruption."

The charge whereon Mr. Sinclair is now acquitted was conspiring with the Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Fall, to defraud the United States Government in 1922 in connection with the lease of the Teapot Dome oil reserve which belonged to the government. The lease was cancelled in October, 1927, on the grounds of fraud and corruption.—*Reuter's American Service*.

MOSCOW OR GENEVA.

SIR FREDERICK WHYTE'S ASIATIC RIDDLE.

London, Apr. 22.
In a long article in the *Observer* on "The New Far East," Sir Frederick Whyte alludes to the "Forerunner of Modernism" in Japan, India, Turkey, China, Persia, Siam and Afghanistan. He says that Asia's future will depend upon either Geneva or Moscow. He declares that Soviet Russia holds the chief of the many keys to the problem, but the conflict within her soul is not over. "Our part in her metamorphosis is to enable her to retain without excessive delay or irritating penalty to the European family. Thus we shall ease Europe and save Asia from the direct conflict."

Sir Frederick predicts a Russo-Japanese understanding based on a compromise of their interests in the Far East. He includes with the remark that Europe's behaviour at Geneva will profoundly affect the action of both Moscow and Tokyo, and as more deeply interested in the consequences of Russo-Japanese relations than any other Power, the fact must not be ignored that the action of British statesmen in the League of Nations will play a part in deciding the fate of two continents.—*Reuter*.

ese troops are being sent to Shantung. The Waichioapu has protested against this.—*Reuter*.

Cruisers at Tsingtao.

Peking, Apr. 22.
The three Japanese cruisers Kataka, Kuma and Tsushima and one destroyer are at present at Tsingtao, where the first detachment of the expeditionary force is expected on the twenty-fourth aboard the coast defence vessel Kasuga.

At present five hundred Chinese troops are in Tsingtao.—*Reuter*.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 20th April, 1928.

STANDARD OIL.

REPORT OF NEW AGREEMENT WITH SOVIET.

New York, Apr. 21.

In connection with the report that the Standard Oil Company has concluded a new agreement with the Soviet, it is interesting to note that Mr. Charles Meyer, who closed the original contracts, was yesterday elected President in succession to Mr. Herbert Pratt, who was made Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Meyer was largely responsible for the precipitation of the present price war between the Standard Oil and the Royal Dutch and Shell interests. His election is regarded here as marking a possible intensification of the struggle.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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KIDDERPORE	5,334	22nd May.	Straits, C'ho B'tay, & Karachi
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JEYPORE	5,318	2nd June.	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	9th June.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
MIRZAPORE	6,715	19th June.	Straits & Bombay
RANPURA	16,601	23rd June.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
NOVARA	6,989	30th June.	Marseilles, London, A'werp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
KHYBER	9,114	7th July.	M'los, L'don, A'werp & Hull
RAWALPINDI	16,619	21st July.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
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TALMA	10,000	3rd May.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka

TAKLIWA	7,935	7th May.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
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TANDA	6,956	8th May.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
IDEVANHA	8,155	11th May.	S'hai, Kobe & Osaka
DELTA	8,097	11th May.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
SANTHIA	7,754	22nd May.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
MIRZAPORE	6,715	24th May.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
RANPURA	16,601	25th May.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
TILAWA	10,006	2nd June.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka

NANKIN	7,058	5th June.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
TAKADA	8,948	7th June.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th June.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
KHYBER	9,114	8th June.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
TALAMBA	8,018	17th June.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
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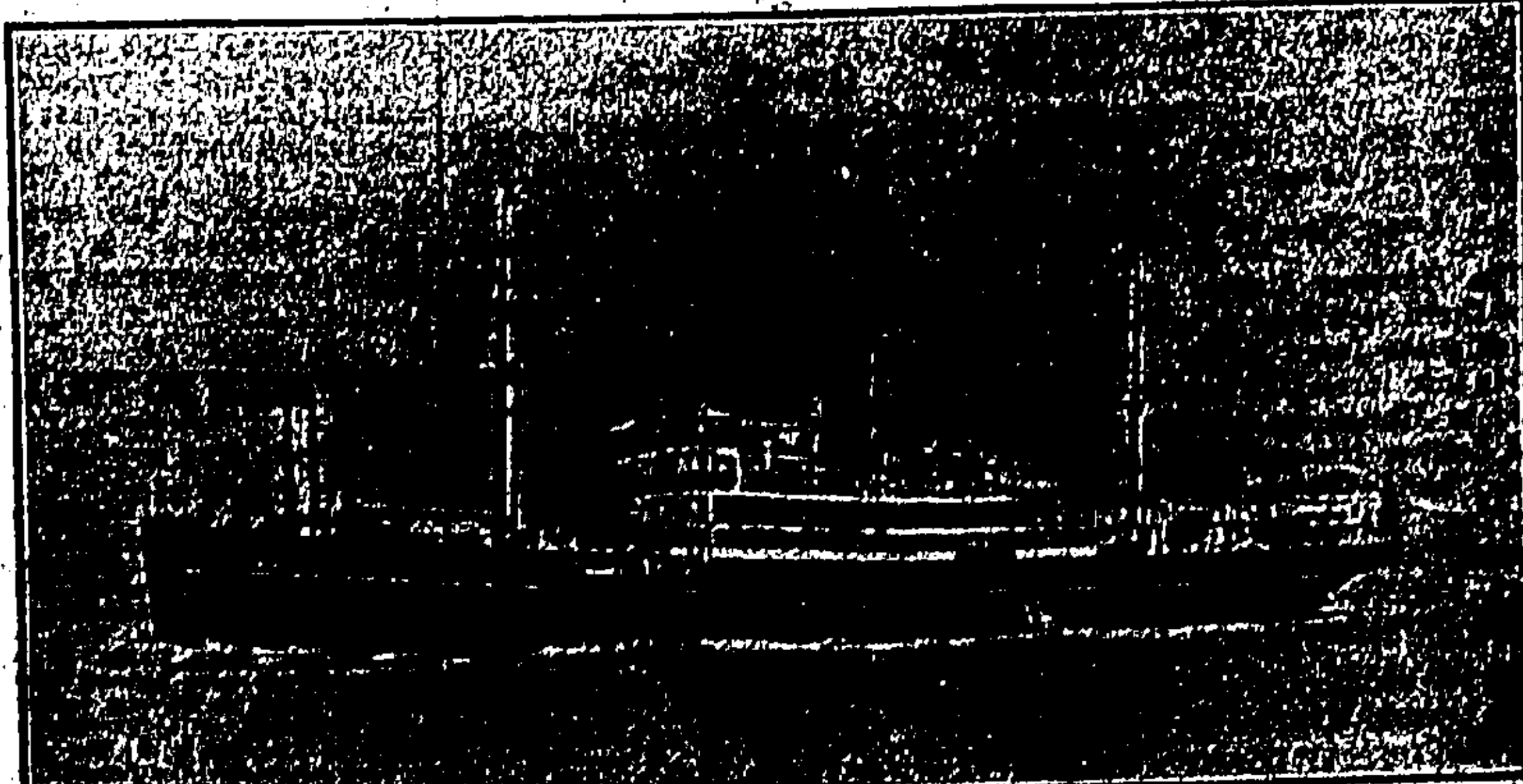
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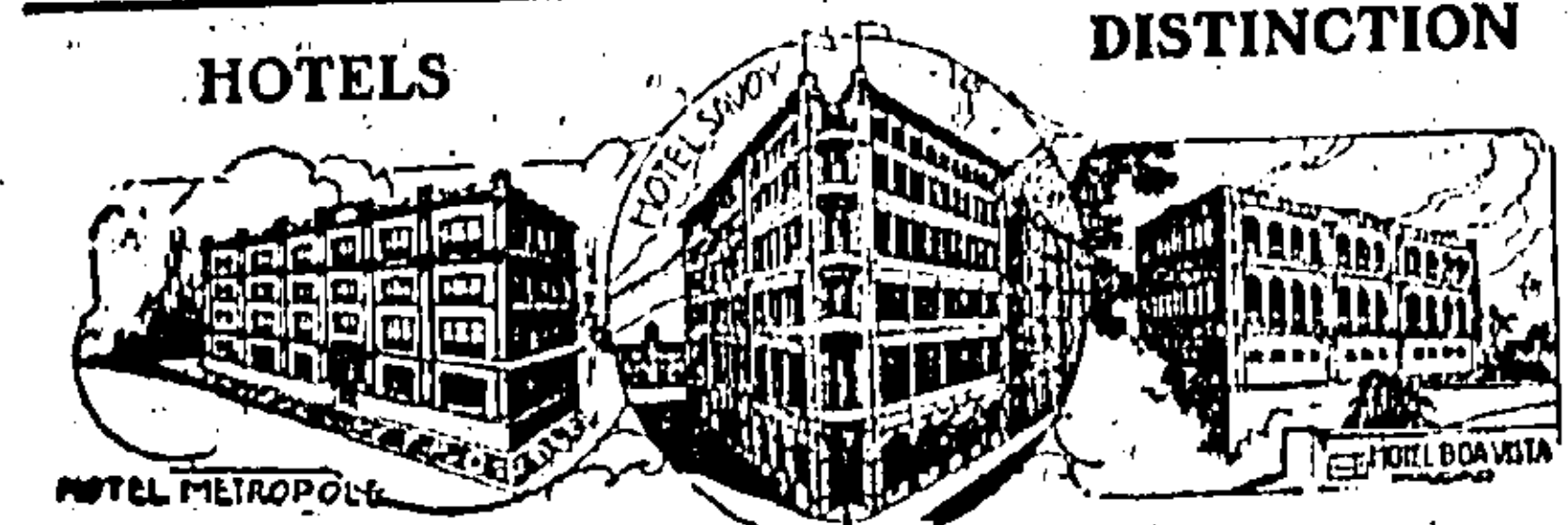
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TO-DAY'S CEREMONY AT HONGKONG CENOTAPH.



Officials of the Hongkong St. George's Society this morning attended a wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph—an annual feature of St. George's Day. Above, Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, President, and the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Past President, are seen taking the wreath to the monument; whilst below are members of the Committee who assembled to take part in the ceremony. (Photos: Mee Cheng).

VEHICULAR FERRY SERVICE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Dangers of Arsenal Street.

The Harbour Master intimated that he was opposed to the Arsenal Street site purely from the navigational point of view.

From Arsenal Street the ferries would have to cut right through the Naval anchorage, go through a very crowded part of the harbour, cross the main line of traffic of vessels entering and leaving the Naval Yard, where there is always a great deal of movement, and have to manoeuvre past the Star Ferries at the difficult moment when they are making from the wharf at Kowloon.

He thought the Naval Authorities would probably raise difficulties as to the ferries passing through the Naval anchorage. He regarded the route from Arsenal Street as inconvenient, and tending towards the dangerous.

Volume of Traffic.

The Captain Superintendent of Police thought that, even allowing for the reclamations at Praya East and North Point, there would not be from that area as great a volume of traffic as existed now in the centre of Hongkong and in the West. By deciding on a terminus at Arsenal Street all this traffic would have to cross Hongkong Central.

Though there were objections to the V.R.C. site, it was much cheaper than the Jubilee Street area owing to the depth of water at the latter place.

The street approaches to the Jubilee Street area were narrow and congested; whereas, at the V.R.C., there were wide roads in various directions, and ample space in Statue Square, in which traffic could be sorted out.

Long Time to Wait.

The Harbour Master suggested that there would be a tendency, if a vehicular ferry existed, to land goods into lorries, bring the lorries over to Hongkong on the ferries and deliver the goods at destination, thus reducing handling charges. He thought the question of facilitating existing trade was more urgent than providing for future development.

As to whether it was thought there would ultimately be need for two ferry services, the Captain Superintendent of Police thought that the second one would not be wanted for the next ten or twenty years.

Against the Jubilee Street site it was urged that it would cost four or five lakhs more to form the terminus there.

Following this discussion, the Chamber to the Government pointed out that the objections to a site at Arsenal Street applied with almost equal force to a site at the Victoria Recreation Club. In addition, it was considered undesirable to concentrate in the centre of the City all the cross-harbour lorry traffic.

Chamber's Suggestion.

It would be desirable to keep in view the possibility of an eventual need for two vehicular ferry systems across the Harbour, having regard to the wide distance separating the Western district from the areas of development eastward. The sites of the first ferry piers to be built should be so selected as not to prejudice satisfactory arrangements for two systems.

A ferry between Jordan Road and the Western District of Hongkong should obviously come first, and, particularly as it is thought that eventually a second ferry may be required, giving a route to Jordan Road of 1.57 miles, as compared with 1.67 miles from the Victoria Recreation Club.

Yaumatei Ferry.

A suggestion which commended itself to the Chamber was that the present Yaumatei Ferry should be combined with the vehicular ferry. The prospects were remote of there being much passenger traffic on a ferry from the Victoria Recreation Club to Jordan Road, but a vehicular ferry from, say, Jubilee Street, could conveniently take all the passengers who at present use the Yaumatei Ferry, and the additional revenue received would help to ensure financial success.

One-Way Streets.

The Chamber therefore strongly favoured the Jubilee Street site, and considered that any anticipated difficulties in handling traffic, owing to the narrowness of some of the connecting streets in that area, could be largely met by making two of the streets between Des Voeux Road and the Praya into one-way for arriving and departing vehicles respectively.

Costs and Revenue.

The Government estimated that the capital cost of the project, including compensation for structures on the V.R.C. site, and of three ferry boats, would be \$1,900,000.

The estimate of revenue and expenditure for a year's working, based on a twenty minutes service between 6 a.m. and midnight, were roughly:—\$1,200 per day equalling \$478,500 per annum, while the cost of operation was placed at \$262,260, leaving a net revenue of \$216,240.

AMERICAN SAILOR WOUNDED.

SHOT IN CHEST AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Apr. 17.
D. G. Way, electrician's mate on the U. S. S. Isabel, is lying in a critical condition in the General Hospital suffering from a wound received in a mysterious shooting affair at a Russian boarding house at 114 Range Road early yesterday morning.

The sailor was found by Mr. Goldenberg, owner of the house, lying wounded on the floor of a room he had occupied in the house. Goldenberg was awakened from his sleep at 2 a.m. yesterday by the sound of a pistol shot and when he investigated he came upon the sailor bleeding from a wound in the chest.

The police were informed and the room was searched, but no pistol was brought to light, nor could anything much be learnt from a Russian girl, who was in the room. As the wounded sailor was being moved down the stairs to the ambulance, another shot rang out in the room. Investigations were recommenced and a further search resulted in the discovery of a pistol hidden under the mattress of the bed. Two empty shells were found on the floor.

The sailor was removed to hospital, where his condition was pronounced to be serious. The girl, who claims to have been legally married to the sailor, was detained for inquiries. Neighbours tell of the noise of a heated argument in the room before the first shot was heard.

TYPHOON NEAR TOKYO.

The Royal Observatory weather report states:—The depression has developed into a typhoon and is central to the North-east of Tokyo. The trough has filled up. The anticyclone over North China has strengthened. The forecast till noon to-morrow is North-east winds; fresh; overcast, some rain.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—
1. Lieut.-Col. B. Levin. 2. The Skupshina. 3. Alphonse Bertillon (1853-1931). 4. Five or six years. 5. They are the counties round London: Middlesex, Surrey, Kent, Essex, Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Berkshire, & Oxfordshire. 6. Y. J. Locke: Captain Marryat; Mark Twain. 7. (a) District of Mesopotamia lying between Arabia on the west and Persia on the east, sometimes called Lower Mesopotamia; (b) Province of Northern India; (c) Kingdom to the East of the Adriatic Sea, comprising the former Kingdoms of Serbia and Montenegro, large possessions from Austria and Hungary, and small acquisitions from Bulgaria. 8. A thick layer of fat under the skin of whales. 9. A griffin is a mythical monster, part lion, part eagle; a griffon is a rough-coated dog used in hunting game birds. 10. (a) How sounds are made and depicted; (b) how words are pronounced; (c) how words are written; (d) how words are traced to their source to find their meaning. 11. The state of a body which has, by raising its temperature, been made to emit light. 12. The people in the United States who opposed slavery before the Civil War.

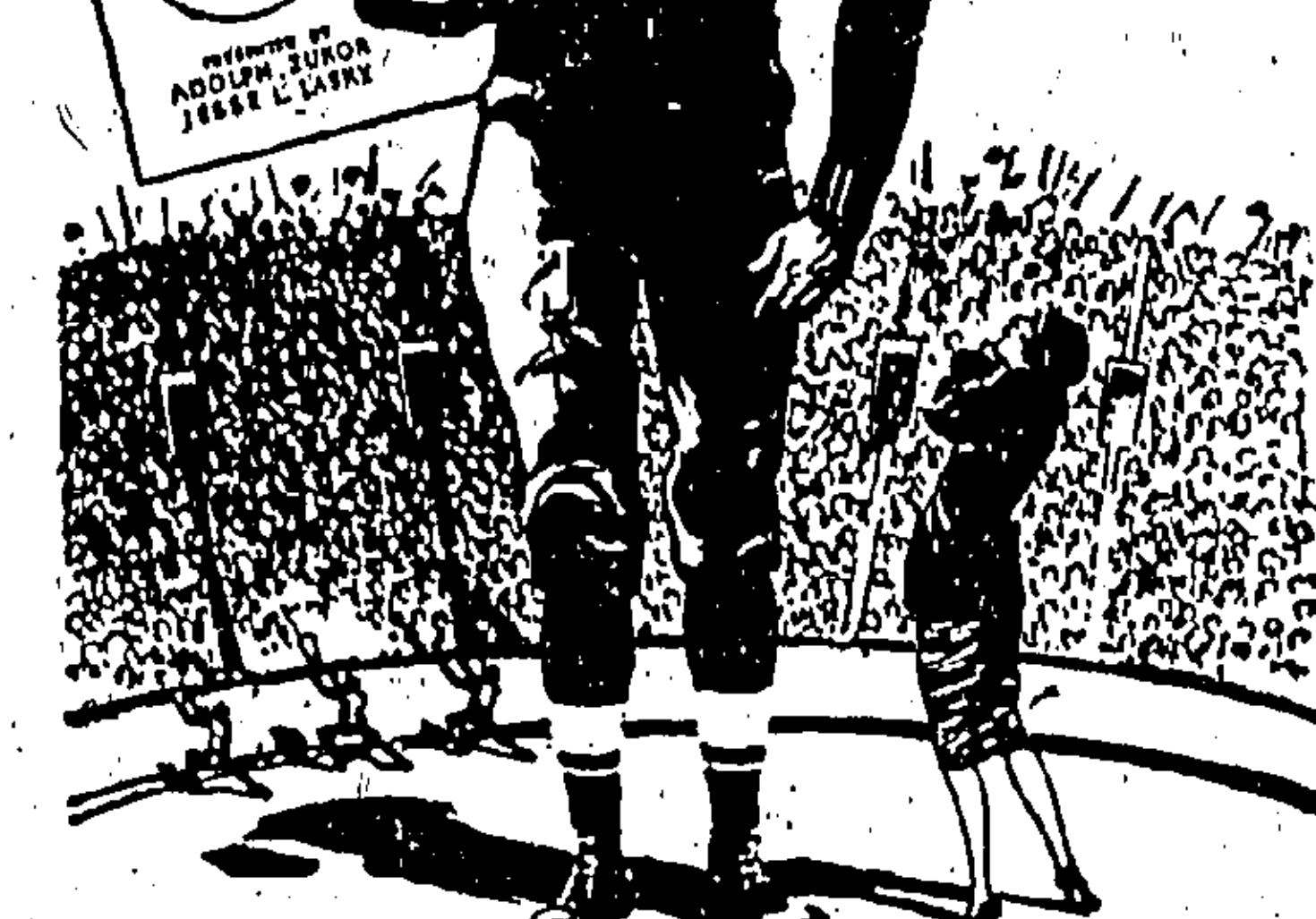
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